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ENGLAND 121 FOR TWO IN SECOND INNINGS

Trent Bridge, Nottingham, June 12.
England at the end of the third day's play in the first Test Match had scored 121 for two wickets in their second innings and thus need another 223 runs to avert an innings defeat.

When stumps were drawn today, Len Hutton was 63 not out and Denis Compton 36 not out. Cyril Washbrook again failed, losing his wicket after scoring a single, while Bill Edrich was caught after putting up 13 runs.

Large sections of the 30,000 crowd showed displeasure by booing when Miller, the Australian all-rounder, bowled a succession of bumpers to Len Hutton during the closing minutes.

After being hit for 14 in an over when bowling off-spinners, Miller changed back to fast bowling and four times in his last eight balls pitched short and made the ball fly to Hutton. One ball struck Hutton on the left shoulder and England's opening batsman waited a minute or two in order to rub himself before carrying on. Then Miller was batted as he went up to bowl and made two false starts before delivering the ball. He was booed again as the players left the field at the close of play.

Hutton had shown wonderful form while hitting 63 not out and, with Compton, added 82 for the third wicket. This pair will carry on on Monday when the eight wickets standing will still need 223 runs in order to avert an innings defeat.

Blazing Heat

England had about two hours' batting today after Australia had been dismissed for 509 to give them a first innings lead of 344 and England had a disastrous start by losing two wickets for 39 runs. Then it was that Compton, hero of many a comeback on behalf of his county and England, joined the Yorkshireman and the pair proceeded to show that Australia's bowling could be punished.

It was learned during lunch that the catch which Barnett was supposed to have missed was not a chance because it was a "bump" ball, which travelled 30 yards after being hit to the ground, and that is why Barnett started into it. It emphasised the bone-hard condition of the pitch. In the blazing heat the sweltering crowds had sought shelter from the sun during the interval and afterwards many had handkerchiefs on their heads as protection.

Young conceded two runs in his first over after lunch, the first time that more than a single had been scored in one over from him since he went on at 397. Then he bowled two more maidens, but nothing could stop Hassett going on to his century, which followed soon after the Australian total passed the 400 mark.

Hassett Deceived

Hassett had been tied down as he approached the hundred and he remained at 99 for 15 minutes. Australia's first 400 took exactly eight and a half hours, while Hassett reached his century after batting five minutes over five hours. He had one six and 14 fours in his score at that time.

Both Hassett and Lindwall continued to find difficulty in getting the ball through the cleverly placed field, but Lindwall did 40 yards down the pitch to thump Young for the first boundary of the day hit off that bowler.

Young bowled unchanged for about two hours, during which the Australians scored only 80 runs and when he was rested he had bowled 24 overs for 14 runs and one wicket, 16 overs being maidens.

The new ball was taken by Bedser and Edrich, but the batsmen began to score more freely with thumping hooks from short deliveries. Then at 472 Bedser deceived Hassett, whose long innings came to an end one run short of Bradman's score. Bedser was severely punished and before Hassett went there had been a century partnership with Lindwall, but Hassett in trying to cut Bedser was bowled off-stump. His innings lasted ten minutes and he was out for 13 runs and 20 fours as his best hit.

Early Shock

Nine runs later, however, he was left before Bedser to complete the innings with a lead of 344.

England had been in the field ten hours and they had over two hours' batting today before the week-end rest could bring them out fresh for the resumption on Monday.

It was up to the early batsmen to keep their wickets safe, but to the amazement of the onlookers Washbrook was caught off Miller by the wicket-keeper when only five runs were on the board and four of those were extras.

Edrich came out to join Hutton, and it was realised that tea had been taken at the close of the Australian innings.

This pair proceeded carefully and the score rose steadily to 39, with Hutton in the 20's and Edrich in double figures.

Without addition, however, Edrich was taken behind the wicket off Johnston and England's troubles were serious. Compton joined Hutton and the pair ran into the 50's with nearly an hour left for play.

Compton was soon off the mark and he was seen at his best when passing coverpoint to send up England's 50 after 70 minutes' batting.

Hutton was playing his part nobly at the other end and when Johnston came back to the attack Hutton repeated Compton's cover stroke to reach the late 20's. Bradman brought on his other left-hander, Toshack, but the score went to 74 and then Miller returned and started sending down medium-paced off-spinners instead of the pace bowling—faster than Lindwall's of the first innings—so that neither batsman appeared unduly worried.

Hutton and Compton continued on their way, taking every care yet punishing any ball that was safe to deal with and, so far, they have put on 82 runs for the third wicket.

Much must now depend on them after the week-end rest, for England still need 223 runs to save the innings' defeat. Hutton batted superbly in the closing minutes and is 63 not out, while Compton overcame an unhappy period against Johnston's spinners.

The scoreboard:
England: First Innings 165
AUSTRALIA: 1st INNINGS
Barnes c. Evans b. Laker 62
Morris b. Laker 51
Bradman c. Hutton b. Bedser 138
Miller c. Edrich b. Laker 17
Brown lbw b. Yardley 17
Hassett b. Bedser 137
Ian Johnson b. Laker 21
Taiton c. and b. Young 42
Lindwall c. Evans b. Yardley 40
Bill Johnston not out 19
Toshack lbw. Bedser 19
Extras 15
Total 509

BOWLING
O M R W
Edrich 40 1 72 0
Young 40 12 113 0
Barnett 17 5 38 0
Young 40 28 70 0
Laker 55 14 138 4
Compton 5 0 24 0
Yardley 17 6 32 2
Extras — Byes 6, Legbyes 4, Wide 1 (by Edrich) No ball 1 (by Bedser)
—ENGLAND: 2nd INNINGS
Hutton not out 63
Washbrook c. Taiton b. Miller 1
Edrich c. Taiton b. Ian Johnston 13
Compton not out 36
Extras 8
Total (for 2) 121
O M R W
Miller 12 5 34 1
W. Johnston 13 5 31 0
L. Johnston 14 5 15 1
Toshack 8 3 22 0
Barnes 4 1 11 0
Extras 1
Total 121

Challenge To Students

Shanghai, June 13.
Mayor K. C. Wu struck back in his verbal battle with students of the Chiao Tung University last evening when he announced that, unless the students gave a concrete and satisfactory answer to his eight questions at an early date, he would summon their delegates and question them at an open meeting attended by newspaper reporters and the public.

The mayor's eight queries asked for full particulars regarding the sponsors and supporters of last week-end's threatened anti-American demonstration.

The mayor said: "We must find out whether the decision to stage the demonstration last Saturday was initiated by the students authentically or whether it had been made previously by some behind-the-scenes persons."

"We cannot sympathise with them until we have found out the facts."

Mayor Wu continued: "My idea in continuing to investigate this case is to expose the plots of conspirators who have been planning to instigate people in disturbing social peace and opposing the Government."

"We need peace in Shanghai," he uttered.

CONTRABAND INTERCEPTED

An attempt to smuggle out an estimated two tons of general cargo to Japan was frustrated by Hong Kong's Revenue Officers on Saturday afternoon.

Combing the s.s. "Nanchang" just before she cleared the harbour for Kobe, Revenue Officers found a considerable number of large packages, neatly sewn up in grass matting, hidden in tanks beneath the boilers in the engine room.

There were no claimants to the goods. Some of the packages, when opened, were found to contain foreign drugs and plastic articles.

The goods were removed to the warehouse of the Import and Export Department.

GOC MAY GET HERE TODAY

Owing to the unsettled state of the weather, Hong Kong's new General Officer Commanding Land Forces, Major General F. R. G. Matthews, D.S.O., did not arrive yesterday as scheduled, but is now expected to arrive here at 1.30 p.m. today.

FIGHTING CONTINUES IN THE HOLY LAND

Fighting continued in Palestine tonight more than 24 hours after the agreed cease fire. The Jews reported a fierce Arab onslaught south of the Sea of Galilee, while the Syrians accused the Jews of a new attack on the southern sector of their Northern Front.

The United Nations truce observers were already on their way to these two areas to probe earlier alleged violations of the four-week truce and the mediator, himself, Count Folke Bernadotte, was flying to Jerusalem from Cairo, Jewish relief convoys have been rolling into Jerusalem from the Israeli capital of Tel-Aviv during the past few nights along a new road by-passing the Arab held Bab el Wad-Latrun area. It was disclosed in Tel-Aviv tonight.

The Arab grip on this area, scene of some of the heaviest fighting of the past weeks, had cut the main Tel-Aviv-Jerusalem highway.

The Tel-Aviv communiqué added that the Jewish settlement of Ma'aleh in the Jordan Valley was still under heavy Arab attack at noon today.

A Reuter Washington dispatch said the United States had agreed to supply Count Bernadotte with three patrol vessels and three aircraft to carry truce observers. The American Government was understood to be willing to send ten more military observers to the Holy Land if needed, in addition to the 21 already serving on the Count's request.

From both the United States and France Reuter dispatches reported possible compromise peace moves were already underway.

MOUNTIES HAVE ALL THE LUCK!



Wearing an international ensemble in keeping with her title, Miss Dorothy Fleming, a Canadian, was named Queen of Canada's International Trade Fair, at Toronto. She is shown above flanked by two constables of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and is wearing a hat from Paris, France, a suit from England, earrings from Czechoslovakia, handbag from France, wrist-watch from Switzerland, gloves from Italy, ring made up from South African diamonds, American hosiery, and shoes of Argentine snakeskin. Miss Fleming was chosen by pressmen attending the press preview of the fair being held at Toronto, Canada.

PEIPING MAYOR EXHORTS MOSLEMS AGAINST JEWS

Peiping, June 13.
Mayor Ho Sze-yuan, speaking at a local Moslem anti-Jewish rally this morning, said although he was a Buddhist he was against the Jews who "brought about Communism and who are behind the capitalistic oppression of the people."

Shouting the "Jews have rebelled against Allah," he said "We must fight—Allah gives us strength to fight our enemies—we must shed blood to have the Holy Land—Long Live Islam!"

Over 4,000 Chinese Moslems gathered at 9 o'clock this morning at Peiping's West City to demonstrate against the Jews.

Through The City
After two hours in which Moslem leaders from North China and Manchuria and the National Assembly delegation from Sinkiang, now visiting Peiping, insisted out of the Jews, the white-capped throng, bordered by 35 white-capped trucks and paraded through the city, shouting anti-Jewish slogans and waving anti-Jewish banners.

At the meeting Mayor Ho was the only non-Moslem taking part. An originally planned huge meeting in which 200,000 Moslems were expected to participate was called off after heated demands of a more conservative group of the Peiping Chinese Moslem Association, according to an Association spokesman.

The head of the Sinkiang delegation, in an emotional tirade against the Jews in Turkish and translated into Chinese, told the Moslems that in China's war against the Jews, the Moslems were expected to participate in the holy cause, "side by side with the Arabs."

Civilians Aid Police

Singapore, June 13.
European civilians joined with police yesterday in striking back at gangsters who are terrorising the Malayan peninsula states.

The civilians joined a police posse which fought with bandits who had slain a Chinese contractor in Johore state. One bandit was killed and another wounded in a gun battle.

In another Johore centre, within sight of a local police station, five armed Chinese escaped after shooting two Chinese to death.—Associated Press.

MacDonald "Guilty Of Strife"

Canberra, June 13.
The Australian Government hold Commissioner-General for the United Kingdom in South-East Asia, Malcolm MacDonald, responsible for the flare-up in Malaya over the White Australia policy, the Sydney Truth said today.

The Truth quotes a senior minister as saying that MacDonald himself had inspired and fanned the agitation that has arisen there which has as its aim destruction of the White Australia policy.

The Federal Cabinet will consider the situation which has developed in South-east Asia over the White Australia agitation. The Ministers take the gravest possible view of the agitation, says the Truth.

Well-informed observers close to the Federal Ministry pointed out that MacDonald leadership in the Malayan protest seemed abundantly clear by his reported statement that Australia's recent action had done "irreparable harm" not only to herself but to all European nations with interests in Asia.—United Press.

Pantomime Leninists Attacked

Curfew, June 13.
Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, today attacked the British Communist critics of the recent Labour Party Conference as "pantomime Leninists and parlor revolutionaries."

Quoting Lenin for the need for consolidation, Mr. Morrison told a meeting of the Welsh Regional Council of the Labour Party: "It is just too funny that our Communists should seek to condemn us for the wise and balanced outlook of the recent Conference of the Labour Party."

"We cannot afford, and we do not intend, to slacken our efforts for economic order and progress; but it is necessary to develop, consolidate, and improve the great achievements of the Labour movement, not less than to devote ourselves also to other equally great tasks on which we have made less progress so far."

"Beware of the stick-in-the-mud dressed up to look like revolutionaries,"—Reuter.

Rains Bring Down Structures

Due to the recent heavy rainfall the first and second floor verandahs of No. 68 Peel Street suddenly collapsed at 10.00 a.m. yesterday.

Luckily there was only one person underneath at the time but she received serious injuries to her head and limbs and was removed to Queen Mary Hospital by Fire Brigade Ambulance.

Shortly after 11.30 a.m. yesterday a squatter's hut in Aberdeen Street also collapsed due to the recent rainfall, burying with it two persons. Both were extricated by the Fire Brigade, but one died of his injuries and was immediately removed to hospital.

Racialism In New Jersey

Wall Township, N.J., June 12.
A 12-foot cross was burned last night outside the home of a Negro radio engineer who had moved into an all-white district here to avoid travelling 58 miles daily to work.

The police said that they were warning neighbours to keep off the man's property. He had already received several threatening telephone calls.—Reuter.

The Weather

Pressure is high over NW China and is a ridge extending from the Pacific anticyclone through the Luzon Strait to Malaya. A trough stretches from Tientsin NE to an extensive depression over Manchuria.

Today's Forecast:—Moderate, or fresh SW to S winds. Weather cloudy with very morning light rain. Fair during afternoon.

Yesterday's Weather:—Maximum 82.3 deg. Fah. Minimum 73 deg. Fah. Sunshine 1.3 hours. Rainfall Nil. Total since Jan. 1—72.9 in. (28.6 in. as of 12.00 a.m.) average of 127.8 mm. (5.03 in.)

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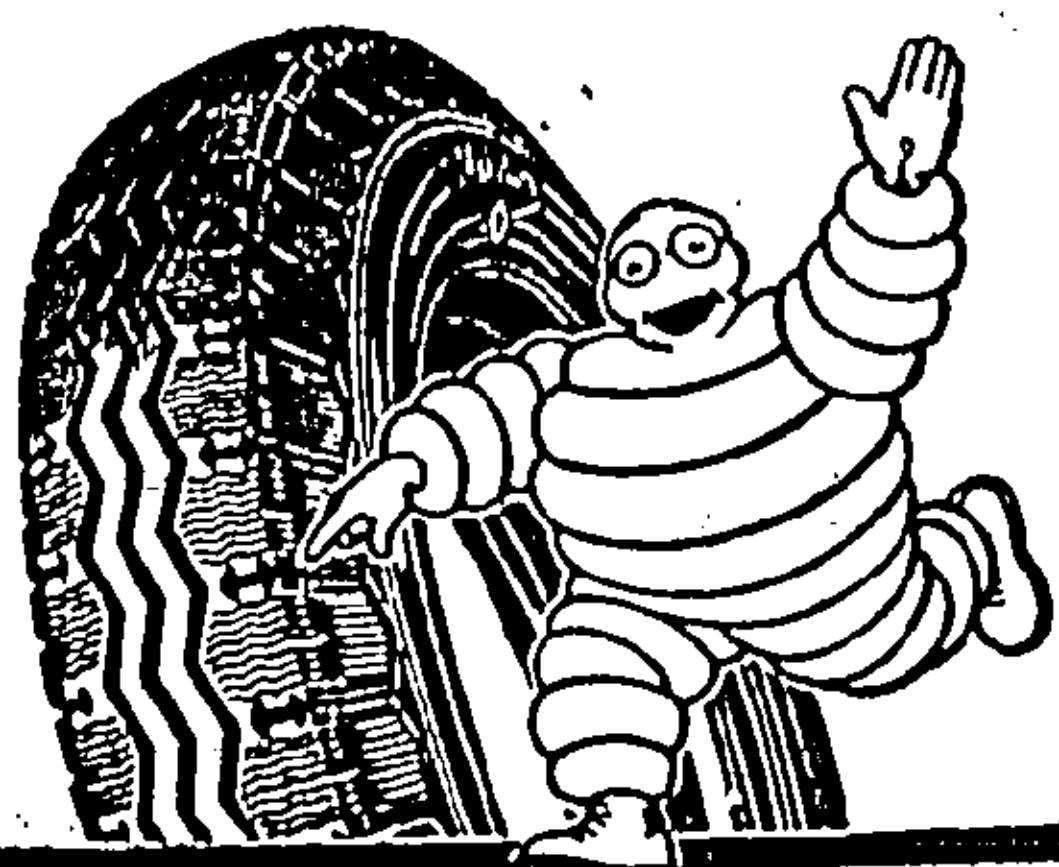
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FOUR BILLION DOLLARS VOTED FOR EUROPE AID

Washington, June 12.

The Senate Appropriations Committee voted US\$4,000,000,000 for the European Recovery Programme late today. That would restore most of the slashes voted by the House of Representatives.

The Committee voted unanimously to put the vast aid programme on a 12-months basis instead of the 15 months approved by the House.

The effect of the action is to give the Economic Cooperation Administration a total of US\$6,055,000,000 instead of the US\$5,300,000,000 asked by the administration.

Senator Styles Bridges, chairman, said the Committee's decision represented an increase of US\$600,000,000 over the House approved figures for the Economic Cooperation Administration.

While the Committee was unanimous on shifting the programme from 15 months back to a 12-month basis, there was strong disagreement over the total amount to be given ECA.

Angry Dispute

Reporters outside the Committee room could hear angry voices. Senator Bridges said later some Committee members wanted more money for the European aid programme, others wanted less. But he declined to discuss what had gone on in the dispute.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, had led the appeal for restoring the House cuts.

It appeared personally before the Appropriations group in plenary for carrying out the full programme authorised by Congress.

In cutting the foreign aid appropriations and spreading it from 12 months to 15 months, Senator Bridges said the House actually allowed ECA US\$3,200,000,000 on a 12-month basis. Included in this figure was US\$150,000,000 for aid to Japan and Korea.

The Senate Committee lifted this US\$150,000,000 out of the ECA funds and placed it in the programme for relief in occupied areas.—Associated Press.

CHINESE SHIP SEARCHED

Shanghai, June 13.
Customs inspectors late last night swooped down on the Chinese reparations steamer, Hai Ngon, which, according to a secret report, carried a large quantity of smuggled Japanese goods.

This was the first time an official Chinese Government reparations vessel had been searched for contraband.

The results have not been announced.—United Press.

Soviet Hints Of More Trouble

Berlin, June 12.

Official Soviet news sources today hinted of possible new irritations to the Western Allies in retaliation for the recent Western unpleasantness to the Soviets.

The Russians have it within their power to apply pressures which, while not sufficient to drive the Allies out of Berlin, could be used to make their lives decidedly uncomfortable.

For instance the Russians control all Berlin's electricity power supply. While there has been no actual threat from any official source that switches might be pulled, there have been mounting rumours in the last couple of days that this might occur. And there is the object lesson of Southern Korea.

The Russians never let the Westerners forget that they have control over the single highway connecting Berlin with Western Germany. They have cut it once briefly and in the last couple of days, the Soviet official news bureau warned that the British insistence on the Soviet evacuation of Russian troops (Soviet radio station within the British zone) might force the Soviets to take similar action.

Canal Stoppage
There are even more insidious ways of halting high-way communication with Western Germany. The Russian-sponsored Berliner Zeitung carried a story that the bridge of the Berlin autobahn is urgently in need of repairs. Obviously such repairs would or could close road traffic.

The canals which supply food to the German population in Western-controlled Berlin are also vulnerable to stoppage by such "innocent accidents".

Also such possibilities were brought to the forefront as a result of the Soviet's strong reaction to the London Six Power Agreement, the prospect of currency reforms in Western Germany in the near future and the

Greece Wants Negotiations

Athens, June 12.

The Greek Government today instructed its representative at the United Nations to inform Mr. Trygve Lie that Greece was prepared to negotiate with Bulgaria for establishing normal diplomatic relations. The Government also instructed its Ambassador to the United States to negotiate with the Bulgarian Ambassador if approached by him personally.

Bulgaria was reported four days ago to have proposed a resumption of relations with Greece, broken since the peace treaty was signed by Greece last October, and yesterday the United Nations said the proposal had been passed on to the Greek Government.—Reuter.

Bucharest, June 12.
Rumania recognised the State of Israel and its government as from June 11, it was officially announced last night.—Associated Press.

SOVIET ON ASIA DEVELOPMENT

Ottawamund, June 13.

For the first time since the economic administration cooperation for the Far East sessions started at Ottawamund, the Soviet delegation today in a long speech detailed with a statistical survey the necessity to develop countries of Asia and the Far East "in the economic sense."

Claiming "all right to speak on the development of the national industries in ECAFE", Col. Gen. Novikov said such development is a problem of the first magnitude.

The solution, he added, lay "on the wide mobilisation and utilisation of these countries' internal possibilities" and the equality of sovereignty and mutual economic benefits.

The Soviet delegate claimed the development of Japan's peace industries is not against other people's interests but "may create favourable conditions between Japan and other countries."

General Novikov referred to

Jews For Palestine

Marseilles, June 12.

Two Jewish immigrant ships slipped out of lonely French harbours overnight, carrying nearly 1,000 new citizens for Israel.

The landing-craft Altalena left Port de Boue with 800 Jewish volunteers and a shipment of arms.

Almost at the same time the auxiliary schooner Marie Amie, nationality unknown with 150 Jewish men, women and children aboard sailed from a lonely breakwater near Lake Olt, 35 kilometres west of Marseilles.

Pockets stopped loading warlike material on the "Altalena" because of threats by North African Arabs, the port officials reported.—Reuter.

DISCORD IN SCANDINAVIA

Moscow, June 12.

The Soviet Army newspaper Red Star wrote today of "discord among the Scandinavian countries."

Its diplomatic correspondent said that reality had shown that attempts to establish a military-political bloc in northern Europe and to include it in the western Union had met with grave difficulties.

Washington and London were following the Scandinavian negotiations very keenly, the Red Star added, and were exerting every effort to secure an outcome that would comply with their aspirations.—Reuter.

Urgent Necessity

Pakistan commended the Soviet's proposal as "logical, straight effective, correct and honest."

The India delegate, declared Grady took a wholly incorrect view and India never refused "protection of a reasonable return on foreign capital."

He added "at the present delicate stage of India's industrial development we must adopt necessary safeguards against the repatriation of economic and political domination from which we have only just emerged."

India's delegate added assistance to the ECAFE region is an "even more urgent necessity than Marshall aid to Europe.—Associated Press.

GREEK TROOPS ACCUSED

Belgrade, June 12.

General Markos' "Free" Greek Government today accused Greek Government troops of the mass murder of women and children, according to radio reports heard here.

When 120 children tried to escape from the village of Stromi during the recent Government offensive in Rumelia, Government troops gave chase and killed all the children, women, and old men who fell into their hands, it was alleged.

News of the slaughter was given by the few survivors who managed to escape and were rescued by the guerrillas, the report added.—Reuter.

Blue Whale Faces Extinction

London, June 12.

Mr. J. E. Hamilton wrote in the Nature Magazine today that the blue fin whale population was being reputedly depleted by the present rate of kill in the Antarctica and may face extinction like the American bison.

Mr. Hamilton, writing from the Hebrides for this on the fact that the international agreement on whaling permitted a limited number of blue whales to be killed—because they had a chance to bear calves.

He said that the total size of the blue whale population was being depleted by the present rate of kill.

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Correspondence

Most Unfair?

13th.—Week after week Mr. H.G.W. Woodhead has been given considerable space in the columns of the "Sunday Herald" to vent his hatred against China and the Chinese in the course of his attacks on Chinese University and School students who are engaged in anti-American agitation.

While I do not for one moment condone the activities of the students concerned, I do feel that Mr. Woodhead has been most unfair, in that he has so far only presented one side of the story—the side of a prejudiced foreigner.

As Mr. Woodhead has already stated in one of his earlier articles, the majority of the Universities and Colleges in China have an American background. It is an undisputed fact that the Chinese, as a whole, have shown a preference for education on American lines rather than British and that it is the aim of practically all Chinese students to have an opportunity of "continuing their studies in America."

This situation has been brought about by reason of the fact that while the British have, in the past, concerned themselves with the promotion of trade with China, the Americans, finding themselves unable to compete against the British, have directed their efforts towards winning over the Chinese through education.

Chinese students have, therefore, been chiefly educated by American teachers on American lines. Through what they have undoubtedly learnt in school and through American propaganda in other spheres, Chinese students have come to learn that freedom loving America, Americans have, when confronted with certain situations, resorted to agitation, mass demonstration and even lynching in order to gain their ends.

American cinema films, wherein mob law is invariably glorified, have also had a deep and lasting impression on the Chinese.

The entire responsibility for the agitation taking place in China today must, I say, rest with the Americans themselves, as it is only logical to expect that students should endeavour to put into practice what they have learnt when they feel that the well being of their country is threatened. Perhaps if Chinese students were educated according to British standards there would be none of the agitation which is taking place today as the British proceed about matters in a more dignified and sober manner.

Mr. Woodhead continually refers to the aid which America has given to China. Does Mr. Woodhead seriously believe that all such aid is being given to China purely out of altruistic motives? Does Mr. Woodhead expect any sane person to believe that there are no strings attached to such aid? Can Mr. Woodhead say for a certainty that the present Chinese leaders have not entered into some secret pact or agreement with the American Government whereby the Americans will, in consideration of such aid, be granted, perhaps not immediately and during the lifetime of the present Chinese leaders, but at some future date, concessions in China which will serve to enable the Chinese for years to come?

If Mr. Woodhead feels that the Chinese are ungrateful and not deserving of any aid, I believe that he would do well to advise his American friends that the best thing they could possibly do would be to cut themselves entirely free from China and leave the Chinese to their own devices. After all, China and the Chinese existed thousands of years ago without American aid and there is no reason why they

should now depend on American aid. I wonder if Mr. Woodhead could state who stands to gain more through friendly relations with China—the Americans or the Chinese? Furthermore, would Mr. Woodhead state why the Americans are so keen about marketing their goods in China and why they have, by every means at their disposal, contrived to usurp the commanding position held by Britain in the Far East? Are the Americans flooding China with their goods out of sheer kindness, without hope of reward or return?

I certainly do not subscribe to the view that Japanese competition in peaceful industries should be suppressed. I am just wondering how, in the light of past history, Americans will react to such competition in the future when it threatens the existence of their own industries. Will history repeat itself and will another Pacific War take place when the Americans find themselves locked to a standstill in the world of trade and commerce by the wary and resourceful Japs?

This will tell.

It would seem, to those who take a long range view of world affairs and who are not oblivious to the fact that America is today embarked on a policy of world domination, that the agitation of the students against American aid for Japan is based on the fact that they realise only too well that America is playing a very sinister game.

Mr. Woodhead has gone to considerable lengths to criticize the Chinese people and Government for their inefficiency and shortcomings in certain directions as compared to the Japanese. He has omitted to mention the restrictions under which the Chinese have laboured in the past and the fact that while the industrious and aggressive Japanese would stand for no interference by foreigners in their affairs, the Chinese allowed themselves to be used as pawns in a game. The position is the same today—there can be no denying the fact that America is playing havoc with China's internal affairs by the judicious use of the mighty dollar.

In conclusion, allow me to remind Mr. Woodhead of the words spoken by the Master long ago: "As they sow, so shall they reap."

SIMPLE SIMON.

CHINESE HANGED IN TOKYO

Tokyo, June 12.

Two Chinese nationals were hanged early today for hatching to death another Chinese in Kobe last Oct. 14.

They were Liu Ho, alias Ren Po, and Chin Chen Chow. They were convicted by a Military Commission of the brutal slaying of Ho Hai Kich. A member of the Chinese Military Mission set up the bench.

General Douglas MacArthur approved the death sentences on May 13.—Associated Press.

FINNISH SHIP IN COLLISION

London, June 12.

The 2,410-ton Finnish steamer Finborg collided today in dense fog with the United States ship Southport (8,145 tons) about 10 miles north of Aberdeen, Channel Islands.

The information reached London in a Lloyd's message from Rotor Radio, Isle of Wight, which picked up a wireless signal from the Southport.

Owned by Rederibolaget Zachariassen and Company, and registered at Nydalen, the Finborg was bound from Stockholm to Africa, via Northern England port.—Reuter.

FIGHT AGAINST BEETLES

Brussels, June 12.

The provincial authorities took urgent action this afternoon to destroy a fresh landing of Colorado beetles on the Scheldt Estuary bank.

Belgian Army troops were being rushed to farms tonight to help spray the potato crop with DDT.

The Belgian Ministry of Agriculture announced that beetle grubs had been found on potato plants in several districts.—Reuter.

New Delhi, June 12.

It was officially announced that the Government of India and the Holy See have decided to exchange diplomatic missions.

The Holy See will be at Nunciature level and the Government at Legation level.—Associated Press.

GENERALS TO CONSULT GERMAN LEADERS

Berlin, June 13.

General Lucius D. Clay, U.S. Military Governor, said today that he and Lieut-Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British Military Governor, would hold talks with German leaders this week concerning the establishment of a new Federal Government for Germany.

Whether General Pierre Koenig, Commander-in-Chief of French forces in Germany, takes part in these discussions depends on action taken by the French Parliament on the recommendations of the London Six-Nations Conference, he added.

Clay reported this at a press conference which was mainly concerned with the Russian stoppage of goods shipments to Western Germany in Berlin.

"We want to get as large a part of Germany into this Government as can and will join it," General Clay said.

Asked whether German response to the Government proposal was sufficiently enthusiastic, he said: "It is not our intention to impose a Government on the Germans. We have recommended development of a Government along federal lines and it is our desire for the Germans to have a Government as soon as possible to regulate their internal affairs."

"But we will not force them and I believe when they more clearly understand they will be willing to accept whatever is proposed by the Government."

The American Commander said that passage by the U.S. Congress of a bill to admit 200,000 displaced persons to the United States would provide a prospect

for liquidating the DP problem in Western Germany. There are still approximately 400,000 displaced persons in the Western occupation zones.

Passage of the DP bill, together with the opening of Palestine to immigration should, in the course of a few years, pretty well clear out the DP population," Clay said.—Associated Press.

MOUNT OLYMPUS FIGHTING

Athens, June 13.

The guerrillas have gained a new position in the foothills of Mount Olympus at the mouth of the Pinios River and are holding four villages in the Tainpe valley, the Athens rightist press reported today.

Fifty guerrillas attacked an Athens-Tripoli train last night, killing two soldiers and one civilian, a General Staff communiqué said.—Associated Press.

PRECAUTION AGAINST POLIO

Colombo, June 12.

As a precaution against the spread of infantile paralysis, eight cases of which were detected on Friday in Colombo, the Port Health authorities have banned passengers coming ashore from ships touching Singapore. Strict measures also have been taken to regulate residents in Colombo going aboard these ships.—Associated Press.

Chicago, June 12.

The Police today seized 40 Mexicans, including 60 women and an American citizen who admitted bringing them north from Texas in the false belief of a truck after they were smuggled across the border.—United Press.

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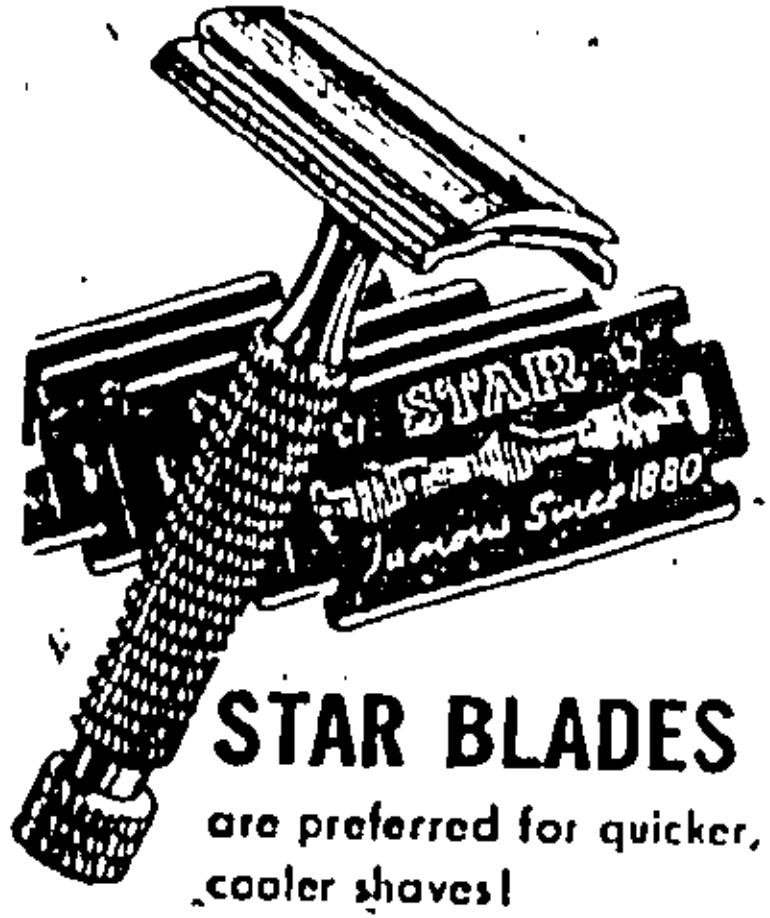
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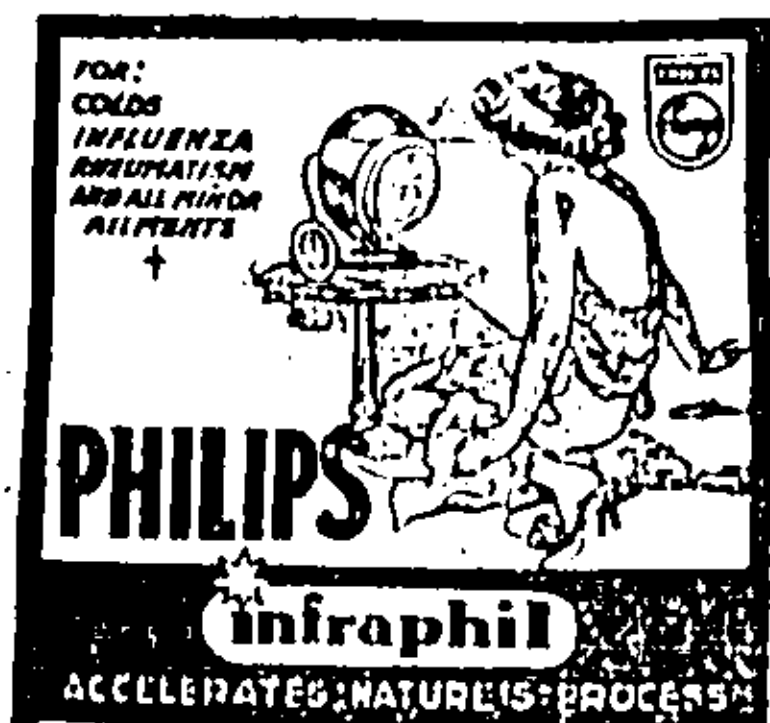


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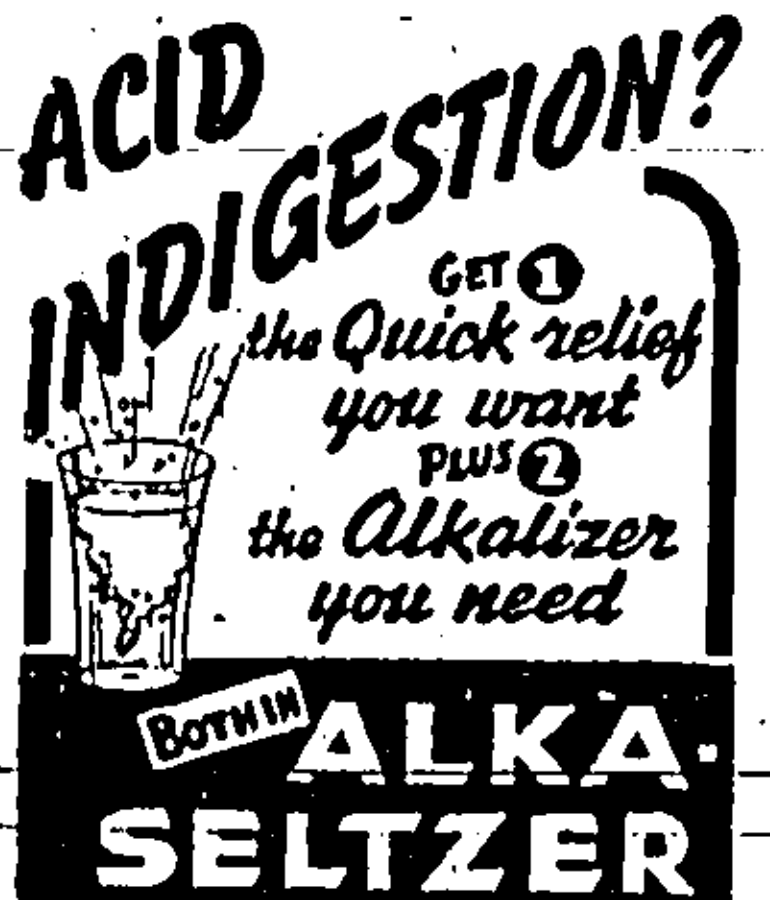
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CHURCHILL BROODS OVER SOCIALISM

London, June 12.

Mr. Winston Churchill told a mass rally of young Conservatives here today that unless Britain was freed "from the perverse doctrines of Socialism, there can be no hope of recovery."

"This island cannot maintain its population as a great power under a Socialist or collective system," he said.

The most energetic and the ablest will emigrate, and we shall be left here with a horde of safe officials brooding over a vast mass of worried, hungry and broken human beings.

"Our place in the world will be lost for ever and not only our individual self-respect but our national independence will be gone," Mr. Churchill said.

Giving a "broad outline" of the right and necessary steps to help Britain, Mr. Churchill said:

"We should reduce the economy pouring out of expenditure £3,000,000,000 a year and effect substantial reductions of taxation."

"Every day that class and party warfare sinks more deeply into our national life, every day that the cohesion of our Empire is weakened and that our prestige sinks in the world, may mean many weeks of loss in the process of recovery," Mr. Churchill warned.

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"How easy to fall, how hard to rise. Do not fall to realise the peril and gravity of the hour. One thing is certain, that this Parliament, elected under conditions which were altogether abnormal, is not representative of the will of the people or equal to their problems."

"We require a new Parliament which alone can be the foundation of a Government which truly sets the long term welfare of the people as a whole before any other consideration in the political life and which would be representative of all the strongest forces in the country."

Rival Meeting
Mr. Churchill assailed the nationalisation programme and chided the Labour government.

Cut In CNAC Prices
The C.N.A.C. management in Hong Kong announces that traffic on C.N.A.C. air services out of Hong Kong has during recent months grown to such proportions that the operational cost of C.N.A.C. can now allow a generous reduction on most of its fares out of Hong Kong.

In line with the policy of the Directorate of civil aviation for low fares, this is the second time in the last six months that C.N.A.C. has slashed its Hong Kong currency fares.

The new reduced fares effective as from today are Hong Kong-Singapore \$55 against the former \$120, Hong Kong-Amoy \$150 against \$180, Hong Kong-Taiwan \$210 against \$250, Hong Kong-Taipei \$270 against \$330, Hong Kong-Hankow \$150 against \$200, Hong Kong-Foochow \$215 against \$260, Hong Kong-Kweliin \$170 against \$200, Hong Kong-Hongkong \$230 against \$250 and Hong Kong-Hankow \$280 against \$300.

MOVE AGAINST COMMUNISTS

Bangkok, June 12.
Siam tightened its border controls and promised "harsh treatment to Communists" reportedly sneaking across the border from Malaya. They are believed to be mostly Chinese.

Police Chief Charitakorn Kosol said the Siamese Government is considering general revisions of its immigration laws to provide tougher penalties for illegal entry.

He said there is evidence of increased Communist activity in Bangkok, confined mostly to secret meetings of left wing Labour groups.—Associated Press.

Staff Member Weds



Miss Deolinda Socorro Chaves, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Chaves, became the bride of Mr. A.S. Maher, eldest son of Mrs. L. Barros, at St. Teresa's Church, Kowloon Tong, yesterday afternoon. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Fr. Orlando.

Carrying a beautiful bouquet of white gladioli, the bride was elegantly attired in a gown of white brocade nylon and a heavy embroidered veil. She was attended by Misses Anzila Barros and Lolita Chaves as bridesmaids who wore pale green tulle gowns and carried bouquets of pink gladioli.

The flower girl was Miss Brenda Hussain who was dressed in a long pink brocade gown with blue trimmings. The duties of groomsmen were undertaken by Messrs. A. Maher and Robert Chaves.

From St. Teresa's Church, the newly-wed couple proceeded to No. 285, Prince Edward Road, where a reception was held. Later the couple departed for the New Territories where the honeymoon is to be spent.

For her going-away dress, the bride wore a pink shirtdress ensemble with white accessories. The bridegroom is a proof-reader on the staff of the "China Mail."

Complications On Western Germany

London, June 12.

The full results of the official secrecy which surrounded the six-power London talks on the future of western Germany have become painfully clear in France and in Germany.

In both countries, the opponents of the decisions taken in London were able to create in advance a firm obstacle of misunderstanding which the issue of the second London communique only partially dispelled.

In France, it was left to General Charles de Gaulle, by his uncompromising condemnation of the French Government's acceptance of the London decisions, to scare the various elements of the Government coalition into something like a united front in support of the decisions, only as the lesser of the two evils.

Once again, failure to make clear in public exactly what is at issue appears in the opinion of many British and French observers here, to complicate the problem set to the members of the French Assembly.

If the United States and Britain had publicly stated that the French failure to ratify the London decisions would result in an Anglo-American decision to carry them out as far as possible on a bilateral basis without the French zone, there is good reason to believe that French parliamentary and public opinion would have a clearer idea of the real consequences of rejecting M. Georges Bidault's policy.

Against this confused background of the opportunities for Moscow to conduct a judicious campaign of political warfare are clearly unrivaled.

Throughout Germany a steady flow of scare stories, designed to make the public believe that the western powers are busy partitioning Germany in the face of Soviet opposition, is the principle theme. To keep opinion in the United States and Britain, Moscow need to do a little more than to delay defining her official attitude to the London recommendations until after the decision to accept or reject them has been taken in Paris.—Reuter.

No Delaying
As it is, the arguments advanced by large sections of the French press are calculated to leave the impression that French rejection of the London decisions will result automatically in renewed discussions on Germany between the three western occupying powers or on a six-power basis.

In London, it is felt that there is in fact little likelihood of this happening, since the urgency of dealing with the political and economic problems inside Germany does not allow of further delay.

In Germany, the misunderstanding of the nature of the recommendations of the six powers in London is probably even more far-reaching than in France.

The quite groundless fears for the territorial integrity of the Ruhr as part of Germany and an equally groundless belief that the power of the proposed international control over Ruhr industries output will extend to the distribution of Ruhr products inside as well as outside Germany, appear to have been fanned as

by deliberate propaganda by genuine denouement of the text of the London agreement.

Score Stories
These artificial fears are superimposed on genuine opposition to what has actually been proposed in London and the whole weight of the Soviet propaganda machine in the eastern zone in Berlin has been employed to increase German anxiety and concentrate resentment on the six-power proposals.

Pasha Undergoes Operation
Oujda, June 12.
Sidi Mohamed Halou Pasha of Oujda underwent a serious operation last night after having been stabbed during prayers in the Great Mosque.

Doctors said today that the Pasha's condition, though still serious, could allow some hope. General Alphonse Juin, French Resident-General in Morocco, arrived by plane with the Visir (Minister of Justice, who is Sidi Mohamed Hajja's father).

Merkil, who stabbed the Pasha, died from the stoning he received from the crowd and the Pasha's own policemen.—Associated Press.

US PLANES RECALLED
Frankfurt, June 12.
A number of American Air Force planes, which have been standing by on Cyprus to evacuate American nationals from Palestine, in case of extreme emergency, have been ordered to return immediately to their home bases in Germany.

This decision to recall the planes was made when the month's truce began in Palestine yesterday.—Reuter.

Smack In The Face For Freedom

Pretoria, June 12.

Mr. Jan Hofmeyer, former South African deputy premier, said that the act of the new Nationalist Government in releasing prisoners convicted of high treason was "a smack in the face for men and women who had fought to free the world of Nazism."

The people of South Africa would be dismayed at the releases. "At least one of the men released," Mr. Hofmeyer declared, "has committed treasonable acts, which might easily have involved European South Africans in a blood bath."

"This is no way to the South African unity the Nationalist Government has promised the people. It is an unforgivable act, but in keeping with the black record during the war. The leopard has not changed its spots," he added.

Mr. C. R. Swart, the new Minister of Justice, announced last night that five political prisoners, convicted of treason or sabotage during the war, would be released.—Reuter.

S Africa's Defences

Capetown, June 12.

Mr. F. Erasmus, South African Defence Minister, today said that the new Nationalist Government could be expected through friendly negotiation, to try to prevent Britain raising an African army in Africa as a result of losing the Indian army.

In an interview with the Johannesburg Afrikaans-language daily Die Vaderland, he said that it was necessary to set the Union's defences on a sound basis in view of the external danger in the event of war. Proper military training in country areas was essential. This branch of the Union's defences had been neglected in the past few years.—Reuter.

LOOKING FOR RELATIVES

Copenhagen, June 12.

No attempt to salvage the mined Danish ship Njolehavn will be made until the bodies of all the victims have been recovered. It was announced here tonight.

Divers will work throughout the week-end to recover them. A little knot of relatives of the missing today gathered round the boat bringing in the bodies each time it entered the harbour.

Not all the bodies have yet been identified—some may never be—since most of those trapped in the ship was in their night clothes and carried no papers to give the police clues to their identity.—Reuter.

VOLGA HARVEST

Moscow, June 12.

The grain harvest in the Volga districts is now expected to be less than planned because of the dry and exceptionally hot weather, the Soviet news agency reported today from Kuibyshev. The resources of the collective state farms machine and tractor stations have been mobilised to minimise harvest losses, the report added.—Reuter.

Reminders

Today
Catholic Action, Chinese YMCA, meeting at Rectory, St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, 8 p.m.
Whist Drive, European YMCA, West Lounge, 8 p.m.
Display of Golden Statute of Pres. Chiang Kai-shek, at Chinese Chamber of Commerce auditorium, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
Women's Guild meeting, Kowloon Union Church, 10 a.m.
H.K. Rotary Club Luncheon, 12.30 p.m.
Talk on "Some Thoughts on Hong Kong" by H. G. W. Woodhead, Roof Garden H.K. Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
R.A.E. Association Meeting, Luncheon at Jacobson Room, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Toc H Club meeting, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

THURSDAY
Y's Men's Club Luncheon, Roof Garden H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Mahnjong Classes, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
Charity Bridge-Mahnjong Drive, European YMCA, 2.30 p.m.

FRIDAY
Kowloon Rotary Club Luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Classical Music Recital, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY
Reunion Afternoon, by Diocesan Old Girls' Association, at Diocesan Girls' School, 2.30 p.m.

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Games Morning, European YMCA, 10 a.m.
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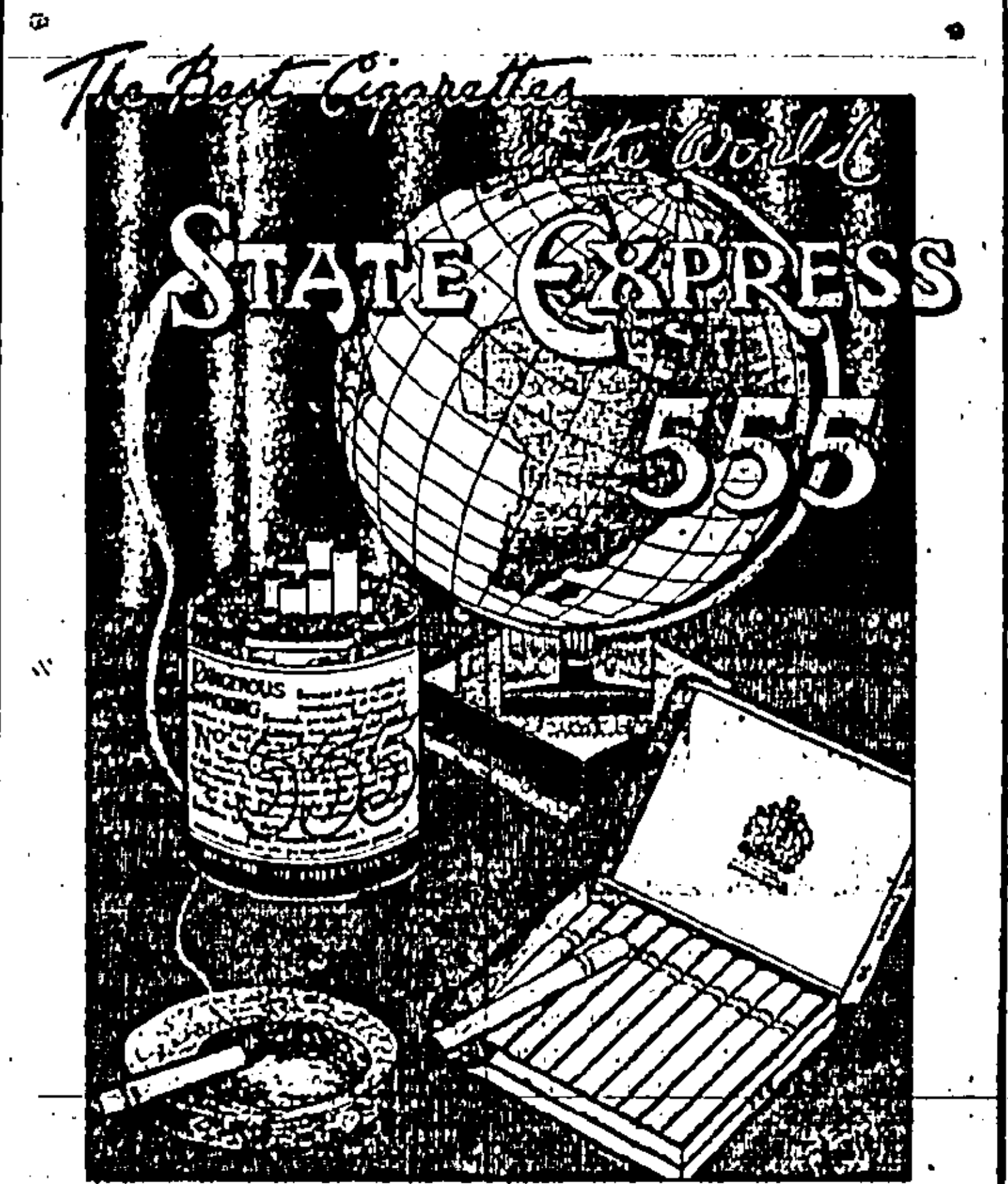
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(1) To receive and consider the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the period 1st April, 1941 to 31st March, 1947.

(2) To consider the conversion of the Capital of the Company into Hong Kong Dollars, under the Registration of China Companies Regulations 1947.

(3) To confirm the appointment of Directors and fix the remuneration of the directors.

(4) To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

TURNER, STURROCK & BROWN,
Chartered Accountants,
Secretaries.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the One Hundred and Twenty fourth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 23rd June, 1948, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and Re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 10th June, 1948, to Wednesday, 23rd June, 1948, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

H. DA LUZ,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th June, 1948.

NOTICE**HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS**

Payment of Occupational Period Pay

1. Subject to the conditions set out in paragraph 2 below:—

(a) Personnel who were enrolled on or before 7th December, 1941 will receive arrears of pay for the appropriate period in December, 1941 together with an ex-gratia grant of three months' pay.

(b) Those who joined on or after the 8th December, 1941 will receive arrears of pay for the appropriate period in December, 1941 together with an ex-gratia grant of one month's pay.

Only personnel who were deemed to have been demobilised on the 25th December, 1941 and who are therefore not eligible for full release benefits, will qualify for the above awards, but all monies already paid to them will be deducted from the new total.

2. Conditions for the payment of awards to H. K. V. D. C.:

(a) Any sums received during the occupational period by the person qualifying for the award, or by his family, from Colonial and Imperial Government sources in Free China, Macau, India, or elsewhere, will be offset against the award.

(b) In all cases the Government retains the right to demand recovery of all amounts received in China, Macau, India, or elsewhere which are in excess of the equivalent of the gross award in each particular category.

(c) The Government also retains the right to withhold the whole or any part of an award in cases of disloyal or improper behaviour.

(d) No person who was not in Hong Kong, China, or Macau at some time during the occupation of Hong Kong will qualify for the ex-gratia grants.

(e) Persons qualifying for an award under more than one category will receive the highest only.

(f) Where death has occurred and the deceased would have been otherwise eligible for an award, payment will be made to the next of kin or appropriate proportion been paid where death has taken place before the liberation.

(g) Persons otherwise eligible for an award may be granted full pay for any period during which they were imprisoned by the Japanese for political offences.

3. Procedure for Payment.

Personnel of H.K.V.D.C. who consider themselves as eligible and qualified under the terms set forth in the above announcement will submit their claims in writing to the Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. forthwith, giving their Corps number, rank, name, unit, date of enlistment into the Corps, date of mobilisation with the Corps, styles of leaving the Corps, and a detailed description covering their activities during the occupational period. Details of payments made to them or their families in Free China, Macau, India, or elsewhere will be included; and these payments will be checked by the Treasury. Those whose claims are found to be in order will be included in the Corps Pay List for payment, and they will be notified when to report to Corps Headquarters for payment.

MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Hong Kong, 12th June, 1948.

NOTICE**THE HONGKONG & YAUMATI FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.**

Notice is hereby given that the Twentieth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 3rd Floor, 144-148, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday the 30th June, 1948 at 12.00 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1947 and for the Special Business mentioned below.

Notice is also given that the Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 23rd to the 30th June, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
LAU TAK PO,
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Hong Kong, 14th June, 1948.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

The following resolution will be proposed: "THAT THE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY BE INCREASED FROM \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000."

Notice is also given that the Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 23rd to the 30th June, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
LAU TAK PO,
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Hong Kong, 14th June, 1948.

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MARTIAL LAW IN YANGCHOW

Shanghai, June 13. Martial law was today proclaimed in Yangchow, one of the wealthiest cities in north Kiangsu 60 air miles across the Yangtze River from Nanking, as a result of a sudden Communist thrust toward the city, according to a Chinese report reaching here.

The report said a curfew from 5 p.m. to 5 a.m. was also enforced in view of possible fifth columnist activities among the thousands of refugees who fled from the countryside where the Communists were reported to have driven within a few miles outside the city limits.

Strong government units were reported to be crossing the Yangtze from Chinkiang, provincial capital of Kiangsu, to reinforce the garrison. In Shantung, heavy fighting continued around Yenchow, 75 miles south of Tientsin on the Tientsin-Pukow railway where the air-supported Chinese were reported to have repulsed several waves of Red attacks on Saturday night.—United Press.

FRENCH ASK POSTPONEMENT

Paris, June 12. The French Government, through its ambassadors, today requested the British and American Governments to postpone the meeting called for Tuesday in Frankfurt, at which zone commanders were to discuss the new German plan with the German heads of the eight states in the western zones. The French ambassadors pointed out that it would be impossible for General Pierre Koenig to attend before the French Parliament has finished the debate on these proposals.—Reuter.

LICENCES FOR PETROL

Shanghai, June 13. Import licences covering the release of bonded gasoline supplies have been granted to three leading foreign-owned oil companies and adequate supplies will be available beginning on Monday morning. This is expected to bring to an end the weeklong run on filling stations which disrupted traffic outside most of Shanghai's 50 gas depots.—United Press.

HONG KONG MINES, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Third Floor, Prince's Building, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday the 30th June, 1948, at Noon for the purpose of:—

- (1) Receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account.
- (2) Election of Directors.
- (3) Election of Auditors.
- (4) General.

By order of the Board of Directors,

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FRENCH ASSEMBLY GIVES PLAN FOR GERMANY COOL RECEPTION APPROVAL SAID DOUBTFUL

Paris, June 12.

The National Assembly today adjourned its second session on the six-power plan for Western Germany without having heard from a single orator except the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, who made a plea for ratification. Lobby observers were today more doubtful than at first whether the Government will get its vote on this issue, even by a small margin, when the debate resumes on Tuesday.

The feeling of the Assembly was indicated by the applause which several times greeted M. Pierre Cot, left wing former Air Minister, when he called for a rejection of the London proposals and the opening of negotiations on a "new basis".

Criticising the proposals, which call for a West German Government and for the international control of the Ruhr with subsequent German participation, M. Cot won the enthusiasm of all parties in the Assembly when he said: "If you say 'yes' you will have easier relations with Britain and America in the weeks to come, but your difficulties will increase in the long run."

"If you say 'no' to these recommendations, which reject rather too much the claims of the victims of Nazi barbarity, you will always have to say 'yes'."

Firm But Polite
M. Cot said it was a mistake to think Marshall aid depends on ratifying the London recommendations. "Or, if it does, this would prove that the motive attributed to America in certain quarters are correct."

Main Factor
Even the Socialist spokesman, M. Andre Philip, announced today that his party would want further assurances before rallying to the support of the Government, of which they are one of the principal pillars.

M. Bidault's long and closely-reasoned statement yesterday served only to confirm that what the French regard as the only effective form of controlling the Ruhr had been rejected, and the Foreign Minister himself emphasized that military security for the Western part of Europe was not yet provided.

The Minister, looking unusually pale, also gave some Parliamentary remarks, the impression, by his manner and tone, of not being profoundly convinced by his own case.

The overriding factor in many French minds is the feeling that they have been brought into participating in a Western bloc and thus arousing the antagonism of Russia without any adequate military support from the United States to offset that risk.

Bad Effect
If assurances were received from Washington and London that the London proposals were recommendations of experts only and should, therefore, normally be followed by further negotiations between the Foreign Ministers themselves, the French Parliament might feel sufficiently reassured to endorse the work done in London.

The publication, which originally disclosed that the American X-1 had exceeded sonic speed, quoted reports from Russia to London as the source. It said the Russian plane reached 745 miles an hour. The speed of sound is 760 miles per hour at sea-level, dropping to 660 mph at 40,000 feet.

The magazine published with a story on this and other Soviet jet developments what it described as "authentic illustrations of four of the latest Soviet jet aircraft, which make it clear that Russian designers are not lagging behind the current practice of the United States aircraft industry at least in the experimental field."

One of the pictures purportedly was of the DFS-346.

The Aviation Week said the illustrations were drawn from an enlarged motion picture film smuggled from Russia.

POSITION IS EVERYTHING
HIGH CARDS can not be valued in an arbitrary fashion always. Often their position, in relation to certain other cards, means everything. One of the fundamental devices of all good players, when lacking the honour strength they would like, is to take the necessary number of tricks by staking all on the opponents' honour being in a position where they are wanted, and the length of certain suits just to the king or queen's taste.

S. J 10 8
H. A K 10 9
D. 9 7 4
C. A 7 5
S. 6 4
H. Q J 5 4
D. K J 2
C. K 9 4 2
S. A K Q 9 5 2
H. 7 3 2
D. A 8
C. Q 6

(Dealer: North, North - South vulnerable.)
North East South West
1.C Pass 2.S Pass
3.H Pass 3.S Pass
4.S Pass 5.D Pass
5.H Pass 5.S Pass
6.C Pass 6.S Pass
Hailing to lead from his side suit honours, West took the alternative of leading a trump, the 7. As M. G. Murray, of St. Petersburg, one of Florida's most crafty declarers, studied the dummy, he saw the possibility of losing tricks in all three side suits. To give himself every possible chance, he sought a "fortress" everywhere he could find to "lock" a card.

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MacDonald Accused

Sydney, June 12.

The Sunday newspaper "Truth" publishes a front-page story in which it says that the Australian Government holds the United Kingdom Commissioner-General, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, responsible for the flare-up in Malaya over the white A. I. I. policy.

"Truth" quotes a senior Minister as saying yesterday that Mr. MacDonald had inspired and fostered the Malayan agitation which has as its aim the destruction of the white Australia policy.

Meanwhile, a bad impression has been created here by the news that a meeting has been called for Tuesday by the American and British Commanders-in-Chief in Germany to discuss the application of the six-power proposals with the German Minister Presidents of the eight states of the Bizone.

It is felt that this either takes or else indicates Anglo-American determination to go ahead whatever the attitude of the French Parliament.

This may cause some timid deputies into voting for ratification but it is believed likely to decide a still larger number to vote "no."

The French Commander-in-Chief, General Pierre Koenig, will not take part in this Frankfurt meeting, it is reported here, if Parliament has not, by then, approved the London proposals.

ATHENS BOMB INCIDENT

Athens, June 12.

Five children were injured when a bomb was thrown in a school near American billets in Central Athens today.

Police cordoned the area and made several arrests but the thrower is believed to have escaped.

Winning the first with the spade A and clearing trumps then with the K, he led the heart 2 and stuck in the 9. When it surprisingly won, his hopes mounted. Then he led toward the club Q, but the K killed it and West returned the club 2. After the A won that, he came to his hand with the spade J to the Q and led the heart 3. West now falsecarded with the Q and the K won. The diamond 4 was led to the A and the heart 7 led to the 10. The A then dropped the J and brought a discard of the diamond 8.

With all doubts eliminated, by coasted home on the last three trumps. If everything had gone at its worst, a declarer in that contract might have dropped two tricks in hearts, one in diamonds and one in clubs.

TOMORROW'S PROBLEM
S. 9 6 5 3 2
H. A 4 1
D. J 8
C. K 10
S. Q J 10
H. 8 3
D. Q 10 7
C. J 9 7 3
S. A 7
H. Q J 10 7
D. K 2
C. A Q 8 4
(Dealer: North, East-West vulnerable.)
After West leads the spade Q against your 2-No. Trumps, what reckoning would you do in a peak tournament, before playing a card?

RUSSIAN OFFER IGNORED

Lake Success, June 12.

Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations mediator for Palestine, is ignoring Russia's offer to send military observers of the four-week truce there.

A U. N. spokesman said Bernadotte so advised U. N. headquarters yesterday from Cairo. The Swedish Count added that he is determined to restrict his staff of military observers to representatives of the United States, France and Belgium.

These countries make up the Security Council's Consultative Commission. Russia has one avenue open to get around the rebuff. She can demand that the Council order Bernadotte to use Soviet military personnel.

Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko may take such a step when the Council meets again on Tuesday. But on the basis of the cold reception his original offer got in the Council, there appears to be little chance he will succeed.

Associated Press.

Rubber Exports From Java

Washington, June 12.

The Commerce Department estimated today that rubber exports from Indonesia in the first four months this year were 117,948 long tons, compared with 90,000 in the corresponding period last year.

The secretariat of the Rubber Study Group reported exports from Dutch-controlled areas other than Malaya were: January, 8023 long tons; February, 10,217; March, 15,384; April, 12,027. Imports into Malaya from Indonesia were: January, 16,530; March, 18,690; April, 18,748.

Rubber exports from Siam this year have been at a record rate: January, 6700; February, 6934; March, 7498. Malayan imports from Siam in the first quarter were 2804 long tons, indicating total Siam exports of 23,124 tons for the quarter. Siam exports in 1947 were 53,000 tons.

Demand To Mayor Wu

Shanghai, June 13.

The Student Self-Government Society of the National Chiao Tung University, where last Saturday's frustrated anti-American demonstration was allegedly organized, demanded that Mayor K. C. Wu answer eleven questions in a cleverly-worded statement issued at a press conference last night.

The students charged that the "Government did not give protection to students when they were carrying out a patriotic demonstration last Saturday" and denied the accusation that their activities aimed at "selling the nation."

Among the questions: "Is it necessary to oppose American aid to Japan, which will lead to a revival of the Japanese war industry? Is it necessary to save the nation as the national crisis grows in gravity each day?"

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STILL WORLD STATESMAN

World statesman, soldier, philosopher, a giant who has dominated the public life of South Africa for 50 years and occupied a commanding position on the world stage for 30 years—he is Jan Christian Smuts, deposed from the Premiership as a result of the recent General Elections.

Had he not lived the Transvaal and Free State might not have received full responsible Government as soon after the Boer War; the Union might not have grown out of the National Convention in Durban so easily; South Africa might not have gone to war with Germany in 1914 and, if it had, might not have been held together as firmly as it was held by Smuts.

By all the standards Smuts is a great man and whatever faults he may have displayed in his long, full career are faults of a big man with a clear purpose.

In the world's capitals he appears as a world statesman, the man who sees big things, and sees them as a whole; in Pretoria and Cape Town his wide outlook makes him careless of and often indifferent to the problems which face him.

His opponents in South Africa taunt him with a "let things develop" mentality. But when he acts, he does so competently, vigorously and ruthlessly when necessary.

Smuts is quick moving in a crisis, magnanimous in victory, sociable among his friends, but reserved and aloof with acquaintances.

In spite of his world reputation, Smuts himself would want to be judged on his services to his own country. He said early in the last war:

For my own part I wish for nothing better than to have contributed something to the welding of a nation.

He was an enemy of Fascism from the beginning. At the time many prominent people were still praising the good works of Hitler and Mussolini, Smuts was attacking the systems. And today Smuts is warning the world against the danger of Communism.

Smuts was accused in South Africa of being unable to delegate work or authority. It is said that when the Gold Loan to Britain had been negotiated, not even his Minister of Finance knew about it. It is said that he rules his Cabinet with a rod of iron.

He is never concerned with sport. Once when a Cambridge undergraduate, he caused alarm and consternation by inquiring "What boat race?" But he has a multitude of hobbies—his latest is cinematography.

In 1901 during the Boer War he set off on his famous commando raids into the Cape Colony carrying two books—Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason" and a Greek testament—in his saddlebag. He raided right through the Cape reaching the gates of Cape Town.

His success against the Germans in South West and East Africa in the first World War brought him into prominence—and in January 1917, he was sent to England to represent his Government at the Imperial Conference. Later Lloyd George prevailed on him to take a seat in the British War Cabinet. From then on he became a world figure with a mighty reputation.

In 1916 he published a pamphlet called "The League of Nations, A Practical Suggestion." It became famous overnight and crystallised

Book Review

SECOND WORLD WAR

A Short History. By Cyril Falls. Methuen, 15s net.

To view a global war in its proper perspective while it is in progress is an impossibility. Each day one gets fragments of news from one of the many theatres of operations on land or on sea, and one knows that the communications put out by either side reveal only a part of the truth, and are so worded as to deprive the enemy of essential information. Never before in human history has war been waged on such a scale, and over such enormous areas as World War II. It involved the whole of Europe, a considerable portion of Asia, Northern Africa, North and South America, Australasia, and practically all of the Seven Seas. It witnessed the collapse of one State after another in Europe until before the end of the first year Great Britain and her Empire were fighting single-handed against the victorious Germans. It spread to Africa and East Asia, in both of which areas the initial advantages rested with our foes. Hitler's fatal mistake in attacking Russia seemed likely for some time to strengthen his military position, and to give him access to unlimited supplies of foodstuffs, raw material and slave labour. Britain and the United States were caught off-balance by Japan's undeclared war. In Europe, in Africa and in Asia it became necessary to reconquer, often step by step and by the employment of masses of men and material, thousands of miles of territory which had been occupied in a few days or weeks by the avalanche of the German and Japanese offensives. At the end of 1940 had it not been for the courage and endurance of the people of the United Kingdom, the situation might well have appeared hopeless to the democracies. At the end of 1941 or early in 1942 the situation in the Pacific had become so desperate that it was difficult to see how the Allies could ever regain the initiative which had been lost by unpreparedness and inadequate resources.

The short history under review is a welcome volume, because it does succeed in putting in perspective, albeit in retrospect, the course of military, naval and air operations from September 3, 1939 (when Britain declared war on Germany) until Sept. 2, 1945, when Japan's surrender was formally signed on board the U.S.S. Missouri. The author attempts to be impartial, and is just as critical of some phases of British and Allied operations—especially their tactics in aerial warfare—as of German and Italian strategy. Britain, generally, were naturally more interested in news of the feats of their own armed forces whether in Europe, or Asia, and though they heaved sighs of relief when the Soviet Armies staged successful counter-attacks or offensives, they had, on the whole, a very hazy idea of the precise nature of the flow and ebb of the German armies in the Eastern theatre. It is possible by a perusal of this history and a study of its 10 campaign maps, to follow the course of each enemy advance and of the culminating and dramatic offensives of the American and British forces. The author's account of the German-Soviet Pact on the eve of the outbreak of hostilities, the success of the German invasion of Norway, the breakthrough in France, the Battle of Britain, the German invasion of Russia, Pearl Harbour and the point at which Japan found herself unable to continue on the offensive, and began to yield to Allied counterblows. Due credit is given to the United States for its major share in victory, the result of the incredible expansion of American industry. When the German tanks rolled among the victors in World War I she fell back to third place in World War II, although her sea-power was again a vital contribution. The author inclines to the view that neither the British nor the American soldier in the late war was "stiff" as he was in World War I.

The book is adequately indexed, but there are more typographical errors than one would expect in such a publication. The vague ideas of Woodrow Wilson.

A man pre-eminently suited to crisis, he took over the premiership of South Africa in September, 1939, and by his swift actions prevented bloodshed in a country seething with anti-British and pro-German feeling.

When the war ended Smuts, a man of vision, saw a great future for his country, but knew thousands more white immigrants were needed and hundreds of new industries would have to be opened up.

WHY THESE MURDERS ARE UNSOLVED

In detective offices up and down the land are some 25,000 dossiers each of which contains every crumb of fact it has been possible to gather about a killing that has hit the headlines. And each dossier is incomplete. Each lacks the most vital fact of all—the clearly established identity of the murderer.

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Among them, making the shadows blacker than ever, are the unsolved slayings of seven children, in circumstances which have angered and alarmed parents everywhere.

Finding Clues

Now each of these murder mysteries has had its own little collection of clues—a long career of crime investigation leaves a clue of some sort, if only it can be found and read aright. And, of course, each case has been the subject of painstaking work by the world's best murder investigators—British detectives most certainly are.

"What is it, then, that the police can't catch these murderers?" It is a question I can thoroughly understand the man-in-the-street asking with terse directness. And it is one I can answer with equal directness. The police of Britain are being kept in handcuffs. Not visible ones, fetters which are as rigid and unbreakable as steel. Fetters which hamper and clog the work of the murder investigator at almost every stage.

Nine Precepts

It may not be generally known that the work of a detective-out on an investigation—murder or otherwise—is guided by very rigid rules. He can by no means do as he likes. He may suspect a certain individual, and his suspicions may hit the target. But he has to be very careful indeed about the steps he takes to convert suspicion into absolute certitude.

From the beginning of his work as a crime investigator the detective has to familiarise himself with what are known as the "Judges' Rules." There are nine of them, nine precepts as to what may and what may not be regarded as evidence in a British court of law.

CLOSE WATCH ON RELIEF GOODS

Washington, June 12.

Trained observers will follow the movement of Marshall aid goods to their final destinations in Europe to see none goes into the black market or gets behind the "iron curtain."

Mr. Eric L. Kohler, Comptroller of the Economic Cooperation Administration, disclosed this here today.

"We intend to follow up the shipments until we are satisfied they are going to the uses Congress intended," Mr. Kohler said. "Most of the investigators will be accountants or auditors. They will work under a European controller who has been chosen but whose name is being withheld pending final approval of the appointment."

"These investigators will follow the raw materials to the factory where they are processed into specified recovery items."

"Food will be price-checked to learn whether it is switched into speculative channels. Machinery will be traced until its final installation to see it is used for the recovery purposes intended and not for making armaments."

He said the Economic Cooperation Administration, Mr. Paul Hoffman, was specially concerned to see no sales of so-called "contraband" to place the diversion of industrial equipment to Russia and her satellites which might build up the Soviet capacity for waging war.

Information furnished by European Governments or private citizens will be followed up by the investigators, he added.

IRAQ MINISTER RESIGNS

Baghdad, June 12.

Mohammed Mahdi Kuba, Iraqi Minister of Supply, today tendered his resignation, which was accepted.

Sadiq al-Bassam, the Finance Minister, has been appointed acting Supply Minister.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I got the most wonderful bargain in an egg shampoo at the Bon Ton yesterday—the egg had a double yolk!"

should, in my view—and in the view of all detectives—be relaxed, though. Third Degree methods—obtaining evidence by force or threats—should never be allowed.

No Prejudices

Take it from me that relaxation would never be abused. Detectives are not out to bully and cajole innocent individuals into damaging admissions. They are men who go about their job without heat of anger or any preconceived prejudices. They know—and the knowledge is with them every hour of the day—that before they arrest a man on a murder or any other charge their evidence must be, to the limit of their belief, 100 per cent. watertight.

Two other points. The police forces of Britain should be brought up to full strength at the earliest possible moment. And to every member of the public I would say: "Never hesitate to give the police a helping hand—especially in a murder investigation. You may know, or hear of, some tiny little point which may not mean very much to you, but which may be of the greatest help to the detectives pursuing some baffling investigation."

A Jig-Saw

A murder investigation is very much like a jig-saw puzzle. Every little bit has got to fit. And until every bit does fit, a man, however suspect he may be, is not charged with murder and put on trial in court.

Why can't the police catch murderers? Well, in quite a number of murder riddles the detectives have more than just an idea of where the guilt lies. But, as you can see, knowing and proving are two totally different things while the Judges' Rules remain as they are. My opinion, based on experience, is that Britain's detectives should be unshackled and given the full chance to turn suspicion into proof, then fewer murderers would go free.

Truman Speech Tour A Failure?

(By Scott Rankine, Reuters Correspondent).
Washington, June 12.

As President Truman's speech-making tour of America enters its last week, opinions differ on whether the campaign has been a success or failure.

At the moment, the consensus of political observers appears to be that the President stands very little chance of re-election. In his campaign so far, Mr. Truman has voiced four major objectives, all of them providing arguments for his return to power.

He has:—
Placed upon Congress the responsibility for the main social and economic problems of the day.

Mapped out the election strategy of the Democratic Party. Tried to remove the widespread impression that he is too small a man for the big task of the presidency; and

Made himself known to thousands of Americans far away from the capital.

All this, say his critics and the predominantly Republican press, has been an outstanding failure. They described his meetings as having been very poorly attended,

and say that local political henchmen have been divided, disappointed and disgruntled.

On the other hand, some of the "best" informed correspondents have paid a tribute to the vigour of the President's belligerent replies to his critics. They praised his attacks on the Republican-controlled Congress. To the partial observer, however, it seems that if the President expected the country to rise up in wild enthusiasm he has been disappointed.

But the tour has not been the "operation frost-bite" presented by the Republican newspapers.

GIVE GERMANY A CHANCE--BEVIN

Sheffield, June 12.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, today advocated giving Germany a chance to come back into the comity of nations.

Addressing an audience here, he said: "My invitation to Germany is to try by way of peace, not the sword, to live with her neighbours."

"It is a matter of profound regret that we have not been able to settle Europe but we are making progress in organising the Western Union."

On Palestine, he commented: "I hope a settlement between the Jews and Arabs in Palestine will be possible. They are both Semitic, only their religion differs. Therefore it might be possible for them to find a solution and live in peace."

In a reference to the European Recovery Programme and the cost of the war, Mr. Bevin said: "I do not think it is too much now to say to all our friends that while the cost of the war added £20,000,000,000 to the national debt against ourselves, it is not possible to get a new evaluation in which all of us can begin to calculate from the start of the battle to the end."

"If that is done, Britain is asking for nothing. We all hope and pray that war will not come again. If it did there can be no sterling debt and no war debts."

"If aggression starts again, the defenders of the faith must throw their all into the pool from the day it starts."—Reuters.

First To Forgive

Mr. Bevin said that Russia is trying to treat Germany like Poland and Czechoslovakia.

"That is a position we cannot accept," he said.

Mr. Bevin did not elaborate. However, it was believed he was referring to the Communist efforts to turn Eastern Germany into another satellite state.

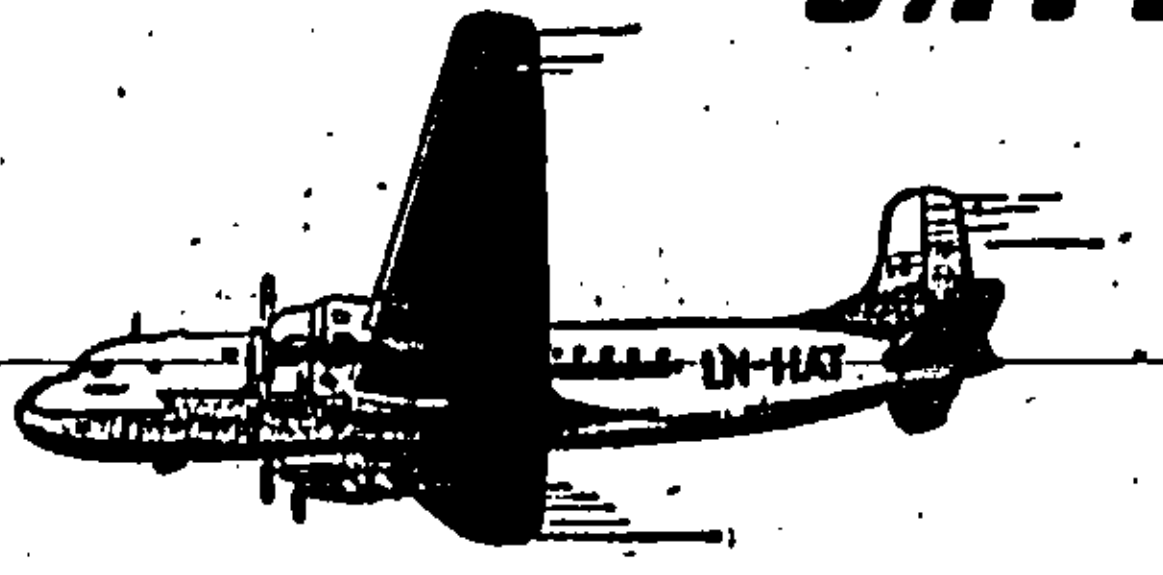
"Germany cannot be left where she was," he said. "Neither can she be twisted as if Hitler were still alive. We must try and give Germany some political roots and allow her constitution to develop."

"If it can become a peace-loving nation joining the rest of Europe and contributing happiness, we would be the first to forgive and forget everything that went through during the war."

The Communist "picketing" of the hall with placards bearing such inscriptions as "Bevin's Foreign Tory Policy" United Press.

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DISTURBING REPORTS OF RED CONCENTRATIONS OF TROOPS ELEMENTS OF A WAR OF NERVES

London, June 12.

The International Committee for the Study of European Questions expressed belief tonight that Russia's army could sweep to the Atlantic and Mediterranean in a fairly short space of time.

The Committee discussed the possibility of an East-West war and decided it was not inevitable. On the contrary, it said it is probable that Russia will bring strong pressure in coming months on the other powers to gain maximum political advantages.

The Committee is a privately-financed organisation which claims it has its own agents throughout Europe. Its membership includes some statesmen, scientists, and educators. They include Lord Brabazon, former British Minister of Aircraft Production, Edouard Bonnet, chairman of the French National Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee, Armand Dutry, who was Secretary of the Belgian Parliamentary Office in London during the war. The office no longer exists.

Disturbing Reports

"For over three or more months," the Committee said, "the various Governmental and general staffs of the Western nations have, through their information services, been receiving reports which appear somewhat disturbing."

"Some of these reports mention the concentration of Soviet planes to invade Europe, Italy and Scandinavia, and even indicate the probable dates as to when these invasions will take place."

The Committee cautioned that these reports "undoubtedly demand vigilance," and added:

"Some of them are accurate, but perhaps they are too accurate and must be regarded with some suspicion. These are the usual elements of the war of nerves."

The Committee asserted that Russia "has every interest in achieving her aims through political pressure rather than through war," and noted that "the same succession of proposals for peace and alarming reports characterized the period preceding Munich."

—Associated Press.

Soviet Power

The Committee, reviewing Soviet military power, said:

1. Russia has a peacetime army of about 3,000,000 men. Half of them are in Russia, Germany and the Danube plains.

2. The Soviet has mass production of war planes, has perfected four-engine bombers comparable to the American superbomb, and has developed jet planes.

3. The Russian submarine fleet is probably the world's largest. It includes the latest German models. They have experimented in launching V-2 rockets from submarines.

4. Moscow could count upon military support from satellite nations.

Deterrents

"The Anglo-American forces of occupation are comparatively unimportant," the Committee said. "Great Britain has demobilized to a great extent, and what remains of her army and her navy is at present undergoing a phase of reformation. The French army is likewise being reorganised."

"It appears, therefore, that if, in the present state of affairs, Russia decided with the aid of her satellites suddenly to invade Western, Northern or Southern Europe, she could do so and reach the Atlantic and Mediterranean in a fairly short space of time."

Against Soviet power and potentialities, the Committee listed several deterrents as "elements of peace."

It said a Russian attempt to invade Western Germany would require pushing back the British-American-French occupation forces and automatically bringing on war.

U.S. Superiority

War would also result, the Committee said, if Russia attempted to dominate Scandinavia, Italy or Turkey, either through political or military actions.

Picard Dive To Ocean Bed

Antwerp, June 12.

Professor Auguste Picard, Belgian scientist, who plans a four kilometre dive to the ocean bed in a bathyscaphe—steel globe—next August, has sent his 4,000 ton ship "Scaldia" for a complete overhaul and refit.

The "Scaldia" will carry the bathyscaphe to the diving area in the Gulf of Guinea off West Africa.

Professor Picard, the first man to enter the stratosphere in a balloon in 1931, has been planning this trip for more than two years. He will be accompanied by a fellow professor, Mak Coyne.

—Reuter.

It further argued that the quality of U.S. armament is greatly superior to that of Russia. It said the U.S. "not only has the atom bomb, but other atomic weapons, the action of which can probably cover far greater areas than the atom bomb itself."

"She also has not well ahead with her studies of bacteriological warfare and meteorological warfare. The latter is likely to become the most destructive of all."

Despite the numerical superiority of Russia's armed forces in Europe, new atomic bombing would probably destroy most of her industrial areas, the Committee said. In addition, the Committee continued, the U.S. would have a great superiority over Russia in oil resources.

—Associated Press.

This Sounds Familiar

"SO SORRY" SAYS HORINOUCHE

Riverside, Calif., June 13.

Japan must ask the world's forgiveness for the havoc it wrought, Kensuke Horinouchi, former Japanese Ambassador to Washington, declared today at the 10th anniversary assembly of Moral Rearmament.

"We are all sorry indeed for all we have done," he said, "but we must make spiritual restitution by our actions in the future."

The Japanese diplomat told the delegates, representing 24 nations, that his group had met privately with the Chinese delegation and "discussed mutual problems in a friendly manner."

"We took the opportunity of telling them we were sorry for what we have done," he added.

Japan, Horinouchi declared, is "grateful for the material aid the United States has given us, but is even more grateful for moral rearmament."

He praised the new Japanese constitution, declaring it is the most democratic document any nation possesses. The Japanese Government in this instrument, he said, renounces war for all time.

A.R.K. Mackenzie, a British delegate to the United Nations, said that "if moral rearmament does anything," "produces ideas that unite political parties, races or nations. It is highly important to all that is happening at Lake Success."

Dr. Chen Li-fu, Vice-President of China's Legislative Yuan, said MRA is "the meeting ground for East and West."

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Ranchi's New Role

London, June 12.

The 16,000 ton P. and O. liner Ranchi will leave London for Australia on June 17 on her first post-war voyage as a reconditioned passenger vessel.

She has been converted into a one class vessel and will carry emigrants from British to Australia.—Reuter.

Recognition Of Indonesia

Batavia, June 12.

Unconfirmed reports quoted by the Republican paper, Sumbawa today said that Poland, Rumania and Bulgaria had recognised the Indonesian Republic.

The Republican Government had received a telegram from the Indonesian Republic representative in Prague, Dr. Suripau, announcing this, the reports said.

Commenting to the newspaper on these reports, the Republican Foreign Minister, Hadji Agoes Salim, said: "If these countries wish to recognise the Republic of their own volition, we cannot reject this recognition."—Reuter.

UNITED NATION OF PALESTINE

Amman, June 12.

King Abdullah announced in a declaration tonight that if a United Nation of Arabs and Jews were formed in Palestine the Trans-Jordan people would have "no objection to joining it."

King Abdullah said the cease fire had been accepted by the Arab nations to "show the world we are a race that does not like bloodshed."

"We entered into the Palestine fighting to restore peace and order to the country," he continued.

"We are entering into negotiations with the Jews to try and solve the Palestine problem."

"If the Jews agree to belong to one Arab nation in Palestine, we are ready to give them full citizenship rights and even self-government in their own places."

"We are ready to forgive them all the evils they have done to non-fighting Arab women and children in Palestine."—Reuter.

WOMEN IN U.S. SERVICES

Washington, June 12.

President Truman today signed legislation giving women a permanent place in the United States Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

The women's Army Corps will have a maximum strength of 1,000 officers and 17,500 enlisted women, and the Navy and Marines 1,000 women officers and 10,000 in the ranks.—Reuter.

WANT TRUMAN SHOT

Berkeley, Calif., June 12.

President Truman was greeted here today by a large number of University of California students wearing large yellow campaign buttons reading, "We want Truman shot. Nominate Eisenhower."

—United Press.

"BIGGEST VOICE" IN THE WORLD

London, June 12.

Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, said today that "if we could get the Empire to speak with one voice, then we could see everybody off."

Addressing schoolboys at Eastbourne College, he added: "We could say to the other countries, 'you do what you like; this is what we think is right and this is what we are going to do.'"

"We are the biggest voice in the world for freedom and justice and therefore peace. Our Empire with its mass of dominions and colonies is the most wonderful thing the world has ever known."

Another Service Chief, Sir Hugh Wainman, deputy Chief of the Air Staff, today referred to Russia as "the potential enemy" when he addressed airmen at Edinburgh on the need for building up the nation's air force.

"Times are exceedingly difficult," he said. "In my present job at the Air Ministry, I realise more than ever that we have to get the Air Force cracking and cracking pretty quickly to stop our potential enemy, Soviet Russia."

"The Air Force is definitely our first line of defence and our first aim and effort is to stop war by being strong enough to make any aggressor think twice before starting anything."—Reuter.



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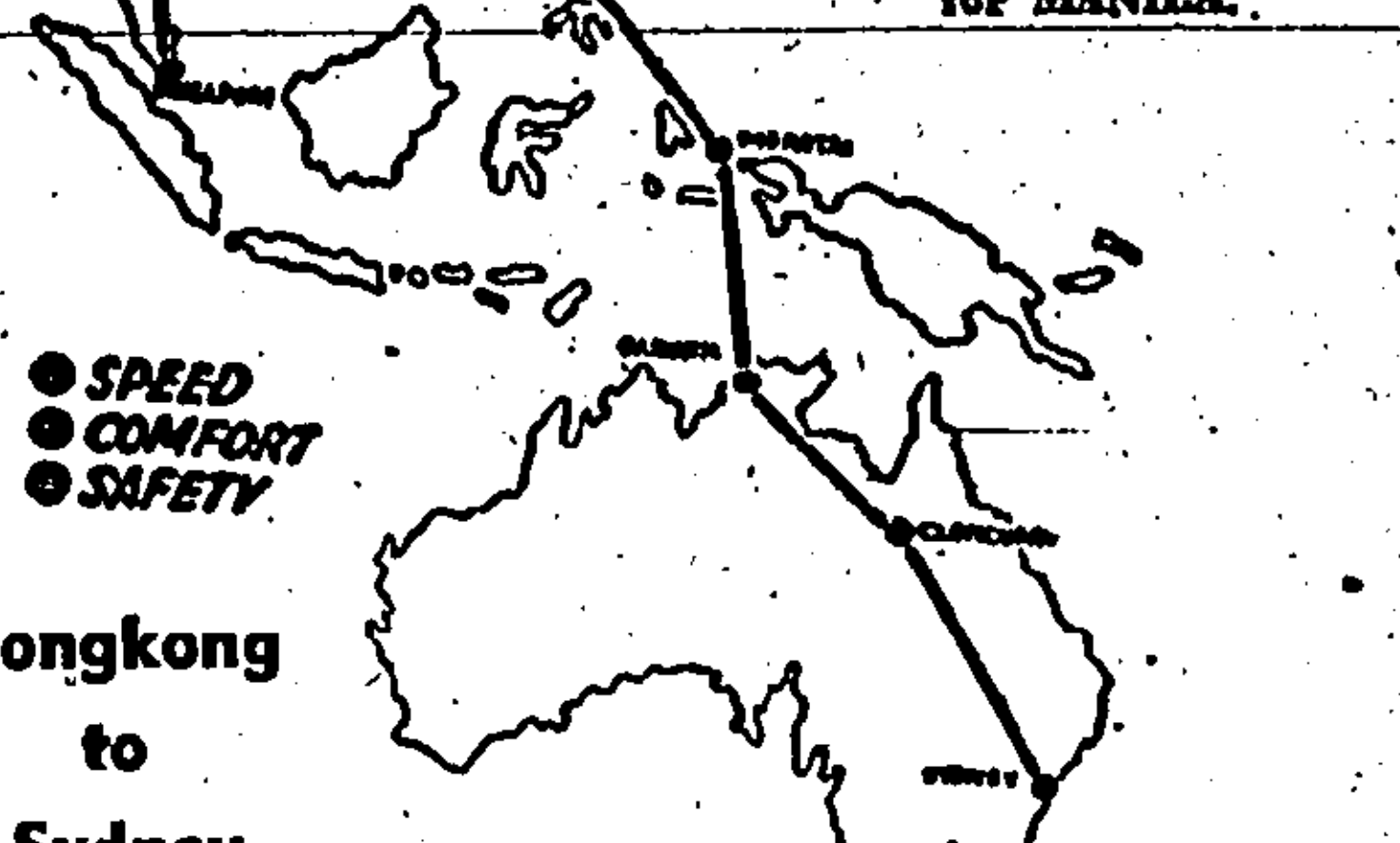
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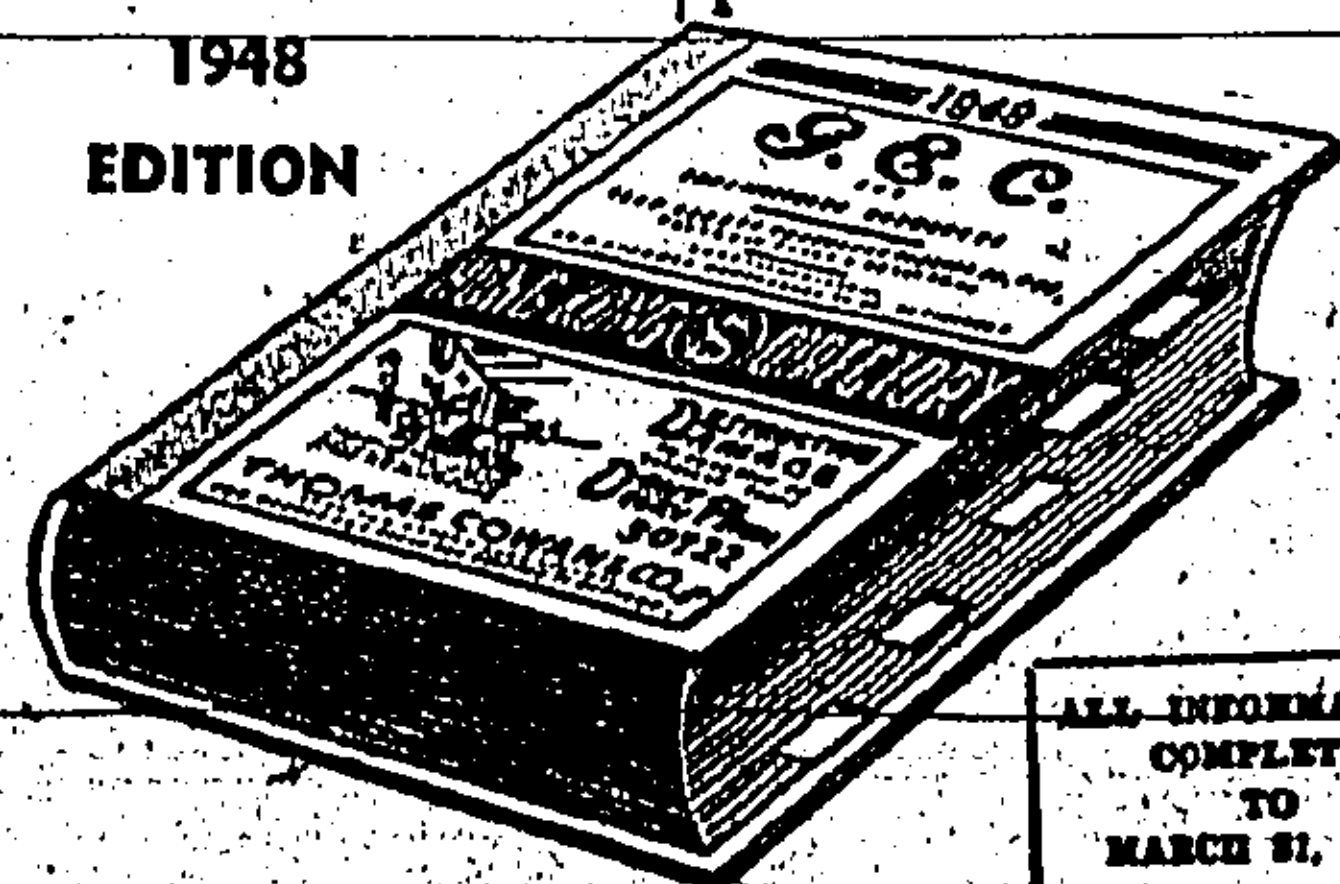
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from Palestine.But 10 British volunteers (and
as they are not seconded from
the British Army our Govern-
ment has no power to recall
them) are still with the Arab
Legion and Glubb Pasha remains
at their head.How do these men stand today,
or rather how might they stand
tomorrow should Britain recog-
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Act any British subject who
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So long as we deny that such
a nation as Israel exists, then
obviously Britain cannot be at
peace with it. And so there is
no crime in fighting against it.HENRY
TAKEN FOR
A RIDEBoston, Mass., June 12.
Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt said
today that she thought Mr.
Henry Wallace, the third
party Presidential candidate,
was "being fooled" over Russo-
American relations."I have always been very fond
of Henry but he has not had to
work with the Russians as I
have," she wrote in the Christian
Register, a Unitarian magazine.She also thought Americans at
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bitterness, very often in little
ways that are not important but
have important results," she
wrote.She said Americans must keep
strong, and not be fooled.—Reu-
ter.SLIM NO LONGER
A.D.C.London, June 12.
General William Slim, wartime
Commander of the 14th Army in
Burma, has given up his appoint-
ment as ADC General to the King,
the London Gazette announced last
night, because of his retirement
from the Army.General Slim is now deputy
chairman of the Railway Execu-
tive which operates Britain's na-
tionalised railways.—Associated
Press.ANTI-CATHOLIC DRIVE
IN HUNGARY

Budapest, June 12.

The Hungarian Government intensified its drive
against the Roman Catholic Church today by
arresting several priests and with an attack
on the clergy at the Workers' Party Congress.A Government announcement said that the priests
had been arrested for agitating against the
proposed nationalisation of Church schools.The Party Congress, which
opened here today, was marked
by an attack on Church
schools and the clergy by M.
Matyas Rakosi, Communist
leader and Deputy Premier.The next problem facing the
country was the nationalisation
of these schools, he said. "We
will take the schools out of the
bloody hands of reaction," he as-
serted.He said the left wing Socialists
had defeated the right wing inBut the present position is awk-
ward for any British citizen
who might wish to serve with
the Jewish forces, for Britain
does not recognise the Arab States
and is at peace with them. So
it is criminal to fight for the
Jews against the Arabs, even if
at the moment, the converse is
not true.The law goes further than
that. It even makes it criminal
for a foreigner to recruit in
this country for volunteers to
fight against a State with which
Britain is at peace.The Act was first passed after
the Napoleonic wars to stem the
tide of jobless soldiers and
sailors who, lately demobilised
from Wellington's armies and
Napoleon's fleet, were drifting over
to help the South American
colonists in their war against
Spain.It has been tightened up sev-
eral times and as it stands today
it dates from 1870.Since then British subjects
have fought for the Greeks
against the Turks, for the Turksagainst the Russians, the Persians
against the Russians, and the
Abyssinians against the Italians.
There were not many prosecu-
tions. Indeed, the number of
prosecutions under the Act has
been extremely small. But so,
too, has been the importance of
a few individual adventurers.

Act In Reverse

All the same, the British Gov-
ernment has never been happy
about these lapses. And in the
world of 1948, when feelings are
inflamed all round, we could not
afford to ignore the law of the
land so easily. One way out
presents itself.
During the Spanish Civil War
the efforts of British volunteers
on the Republican side were not
punished because at the time
they enlisted Britain had not
recognised General Franco's Ad-
ministration as a Government.
Those on the Nationalist side
were also covered when they did
recognise the Franco Govern-
ment.In fact, it is uncertain whether
in law the Act applies to Brit-
ish combatants in a civil war.
It seems that it does not.Nothing was done to the peo-
ple who took part in the Am-
erican war of the 1890's. So per-
haps our simplest course would
be to regard this Palestine af-
fair as a civil war between two
sections of the Palestine popu-
lation, which, in a sense, it is, and
to leave the matter at that.

Even The Intention!

But as the whole position is so
ticklish, it is well that people in
this country should know ex-
actly what the law says, so here
are the exact words:"It is a misdemeanour for any
British subject within OR
WITHOUT the King's Dominions
to accept or agree to accept or
for ANY person to induce any
other person to accept or agree
to accept any engagement in the
Military or Naval service of a
Foreign State at war with a
Friendly State."Note that the Act is delibera-
tely comprehensive. You do not
even have to fight. To leave this
country or any Dominion with
the intention of serving is crim-
inal. Even going on board a ship
with the intention of serving is
criminal.At the moment few people
seem to realise that.

Why Britons Run The Arab Legion

By GUY
RAMSEYThe spearhead of the Arab
Legion in the field is the 10,000-
strong Arab Legion of Trans-
jordan, commanded by a British
officer who has 38 subordinate
officers under him.These 37 Britons are not sol-
diers of fortune, taking foreign
service as Guy Fawkes did in
the Roman Catholic armies of
the Continent when James I.
was King.They are, instead, either
volunteers or men seconded
from their duties with full of-
ficial sanction. Many of them
have been drawn from the
Palestine Police, for Palestine
and Transjordan have a long
common frontier, and a man
trained on one side is fairly
familiar with the sort of con-
ditions he will find on the other.The Legion is 28 years old,
and it has grown surprisingly in
the past five years of its life.It was founded in 1922, when
Transjordan was a chaos ofnomad tribes with feuds, al-
liances, friendships, and en-
mities deep as the mountains
and shifting as the seas.

The Beginning

Newly enfranchised from Tur-
kish rule, newly constituted into
a (semi-sovereign) State, the Gov-
ernment of Transjordan under
its Emir decided to stabilise the
region. For this purpose he
asked British aid in the forma-
tion of a mobile police force.Under a Briton, called Peake
Pasha, the Arab Legion was
formed—a highly organised and
for an Arab force, highly dis-
ciplined body of men about 1,000
strong.Under the guiding hand of
Peake Pasha, and later his
second-in-command and suc-
cessor, Glubb Pasha, the present
commander of the force, the
Arab wrangles were smoothed
out, service in the Legion be-
came accepted in the place of
freebooting as the hall-mark of
manhood, and the unit became
both popular and efficient.Britain, with her interests in
the Middle East, was not sorry
to see so stabilising a force in
the field, and she supported it
both financially and by giving
her men leave to serve in it.The Legion's contribution to the
equipment and maintenance of
the Legion has been officially
stated as £2,000,000 a year.In 1938 the Legion began to
grow, and in the early part of
the war, when the Emir offered
it to Britain, it proved of im-
mense service to the Allies.It was the Legion which suc-
cessfully operated against the
Vichy armies in Syria; the
Legion which relieved Baghdad;
the Legion which put "paid" to
Baathist. All's abortive pro-
German revolt in Iraq.By this time the Legion had
multiplied itself by ten, and the
influence of its High Command
was visible.

In Which They Serve

In 1938 also a mechanised
army reinforced the cavalry and
cannery of the old nucleus, and
here most of the British officers
serve.Glubb Pasha himself is a
major-general; under him are
colonels, some of them colonels,
others "half-colonels," majors,
and captains. Some Britons
hold no more than lieutenant's
rank.Their duties are, in the main,
technical. They are employed

On Approval

Those stationed in the towns
live in houses, for which they
get a rent allowance in addition
to their pay, which ranges, on
the average, between £700 and
£1,000 a year, although as one
of the top-ranking officers
draws more than this.A British volunteer, or officer
seconded to the Legion, always
was taken "on approval," for
mere rank cuts no ice with the
bedouin.To that fierce Arab per-
sonality is the only criterion of
command, and if a newly joined
British officer were not accept-
ed by (or acceptable to) his
men, he was gently eased out.
Arab officers, by contrast, were
promoted as permanencies from
the N.C.O.s.

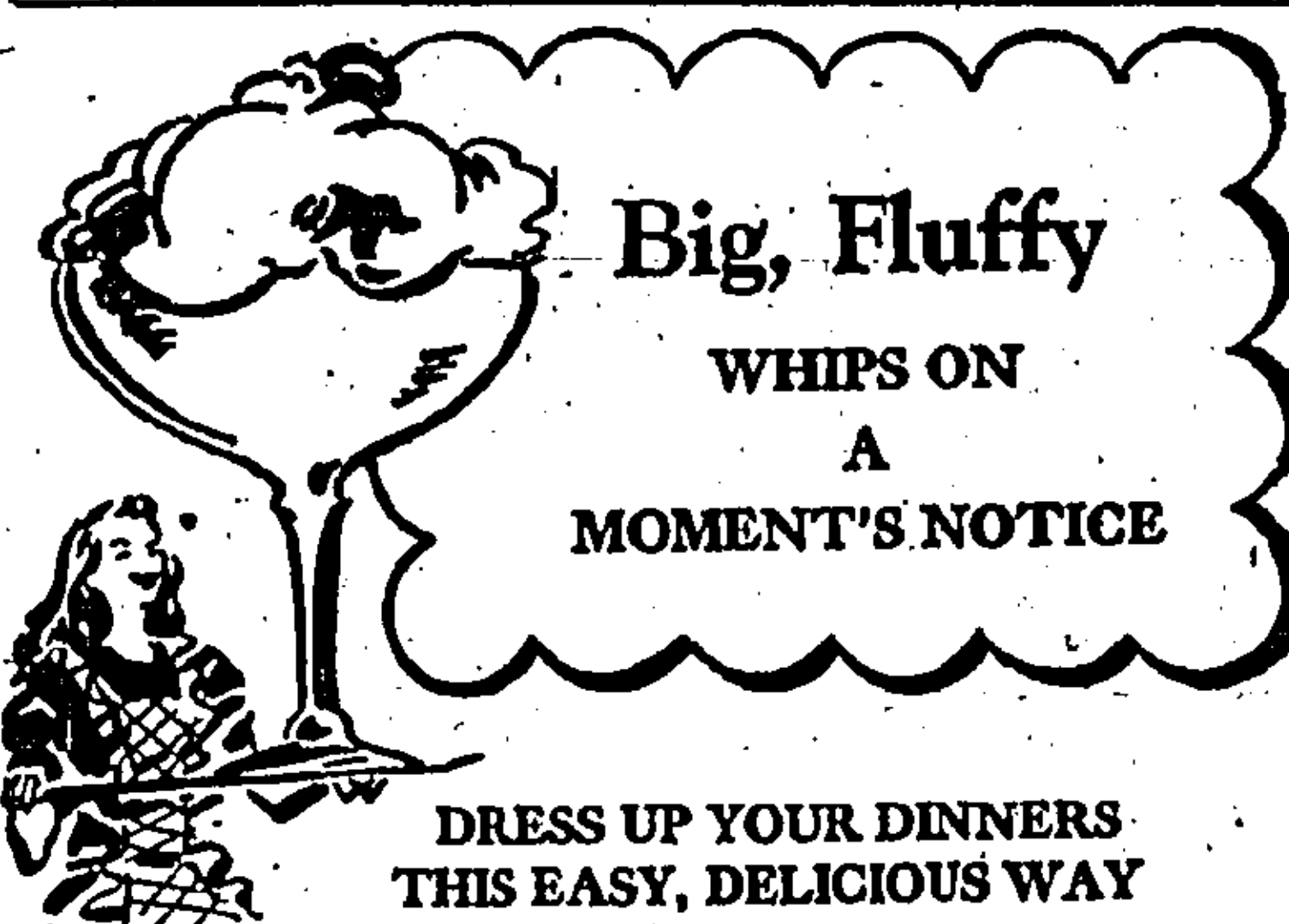
In Battledress

The force is dressed in khaki
battledress with tin hats—on
official occasions they wear the
spiked helmet, that dates (al-
though in a modified form) back
to Saladin's day.The traditionally illiterate be-
douin have, attached to each
unit a highly educated town-
bred Arab (whom 20 years ago
they would have despised) who
teaches them to read and write.Arabic is the current language
throughout the force, and in the
medias, or council tents where
the officers gather, Arab
manners are the rule. Briton
and Arab squat on the floor,
thrusting their hands into the
traditional Arab dish of roast
sheep, covered with rice and
sour milk, break off a chunk,
and eat it in their fingers.Blitter coffee or sweet tea
are the drinks—Moslems are
forbidden wine by the law of
Islam. And the close com-
radeship of the force is gar-
nished with the ceremonial cour-
tesy of the East.

No Colour Bar

In the towns some of the
British officers draw special
rations and live as Europeans,
but there is no sense of colour
bar, no sense of social superi-
ority, no trucking by the brown
bedouin to the (almost equally
brown) "whites."The officers hold two commis-
sions: one, the King's commis-
sion held by every regular; and,
second, a Transjordan commis-
sion.A few months ago notices
were to be seen in British
camps in Britain asking for
volunteers to the Arab Legion,
but King (formerly Emir) Ab-
dullah has stopped recruiting in
Britain during the past nine
weeks.LAW BLAMED FOR
STRIKE THREAT

Washington, June 12.

A Presidential Inquiry Board today blamed the Taft-
Hartley Labour Law for a deadlock which
threatens to lead to a strike of the entire United
States Merchant Marine on Tuesday.Such a strike would hit at
the progress of the foreign re-
lief programme. Under the
Law, the next step for hand-
ling a national emergency
labour dispute is an injunc-
tion.In a report to President Tru-
man, who appointed a five-man
inquiry, the Board said maritime
employers and unions want to
continue their traditional "hiring
hall" system but the employers
consider the "New Labour Law"
makes it illegal.The "hiring hall" system, long
used in the maritime industry,
gives unions the right to furnish
seamen and dock workers re-
quired by employers.The Board said a complete
shipping walkout was inevitable
unless prevented by a court or-
der. A strike would tie up all
American ships on the Atlantic
and Gulf Coast and all Ameri-
can and foreign shipping on the
West Coast.About 150,000 workers repre-
sented by seven unions are in-
volved in the dispute. The
"entirely clear" basic dispute
arises from the Act itself. It
has not been for the "perpetu-
ation" of the "hiring hall" sys-
tem, presented by the impact of
the new Law on the established
practices of the industry. It
seemed likely that the parties
would have succeeded in recon-
ciling their differences without
the probability of a strike, the
Board declared.—Reuter.SOLE AGENTS FOR HONG KONG & SOUTH CHINA
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TRUMAN APPEAL TO SOVIET

"Drop Coercion And Open Aggression"

Invitation To Kremlin To Show Good Faith

Berkeley, Calif., June 12.
President Truman today assured Soviet Russia that America had no hostile designs, and urged her to prove her desire for peace by dropping tactics of "coercion" and "open aggression."

"We are not waging a cold war," the President said. But he rejected the idea of a separate two-power conference. Not a single major unsettled question was primarily a disagreement between the United States and the Soviet Union, he said.

Russia's refusal to work for peace with her wartime Allies was "the most bitter disappointment of our time."

President Truman, entering the last week of his speech-making tour of the United States to boost his prospects for re-election as the Democratic President in the November elections, rejected any separate conference with Russia on differences affecting other countries.

"No nation has the right to exact a price for good behaviour," he said.

He declared that the door "is always open for honest negotiations looking towards genuine settlements."

He invited Russia to show its good faith in Greece and Korea. The President was making a major foreign policy speech at the University of California graduation ceremonies. He asserted in his frank review to date of this country's position:

1.—The United States refuses to play fast and loose with man's hopes for peace by making "deals" with other great powers at the expense of weaker nations.

2.—The "cleavage" that exists today is not between Russia and the United States, but "between the Soviet Union and the rest of the world."

3.—Russia and her satellites should withdraw their aid from the guerrillas in Greece and allow North Korea to unite with South Korea.

The world lives today "in a twilight period, between a war so dearly won and a peace that still eludes our grasp," the President said.

Not Out For Gain
The reason, he added, "lies largely in the attitude of one nation, the Soviet Union."

Mr. Truman said the United States was always willing to negotiate international differences when they were susceptible to negotiation, but, he said, "there is nothing to negotiate when one nation habitually uses coercion or open aggression in international affairs."

"What the world needs in order to regain a sense of security is an end to Soviet obstruction and aggression," he added.

Mr. Truman said not a single one of the major unsettled questions today was primarily a disagreement between the United States and the Soviet Union.

He said the United States was not struggling against Russia "for any territory or for economic gain."

Peaceful Acts
"We have no hostile or aggressive designs against the Soviet Union or any other country," he emphasized. "We are not waging a cold war," he said.

The United States proved its peaceful intentions by (1) dismantling the greatest military machine in history; (2) demobilizing the armies that swept across Europe; and (3) the United States proved its peaceful intentions by (4) contributing nearly \$20,000 million in loans and grants to other nations.

Russia, he said, has: (1) Rejected participation in the European recovery programme.

(2) Manoeuvred "for delay and for propaganda effects" in every international conference.

(3) Used its veto "excessively and unreasonably" in the United Nations.

(4) Used indirect aggression in Eastern Europe and "extreme pressure" against others in the Middle East.

(5) Intervened in the internal affairs of other countries through Communist parties, "directed from Moscow."

Sacred Hope
Man's hope for peace, the President said, "is too sacred to be trifled with for propaganda purposes or selfish advantage by any individual or nation."

"We are interested in peace, not propaganda," the President said, and added that the United States is "determined to keep strong for the sake of peace."

Its course, he said, will remain unchanged.—Reuter.

U.S. TO HELP BERNADOTTE
Washington, June 12.
The United States has agreed to supply Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations mediator in Palestine, with three patrol vessels and three Beech-craft planes to carry officials observing the Palestine truce.

The Government was also understood to be willing to send ten more military observers to Palestine, if required, in addition to the 21 Army officers who have already been sent at the Count's request.—Reuter.

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US Army Denial

Washington, June 12.
The United States Army today denied it was connected with David Marcus, Supreme Commander of the Israeli forces in Jerusalem, reported killed in action on Thursday.

Marcus was a former United States Army colonel.

An Army spokesman said Marcus was a private citizen and had not been an official War Department observer.

The spokesman said Marcus remained in the United States Army last January and his resignation became effective in April, only a short time after he went to Palestine.

United States officials yesterday confiscated the passports of several American citizens bound for Palestine on the grounds they had stated in their application forms that they were going elsewhere.—Reuter.

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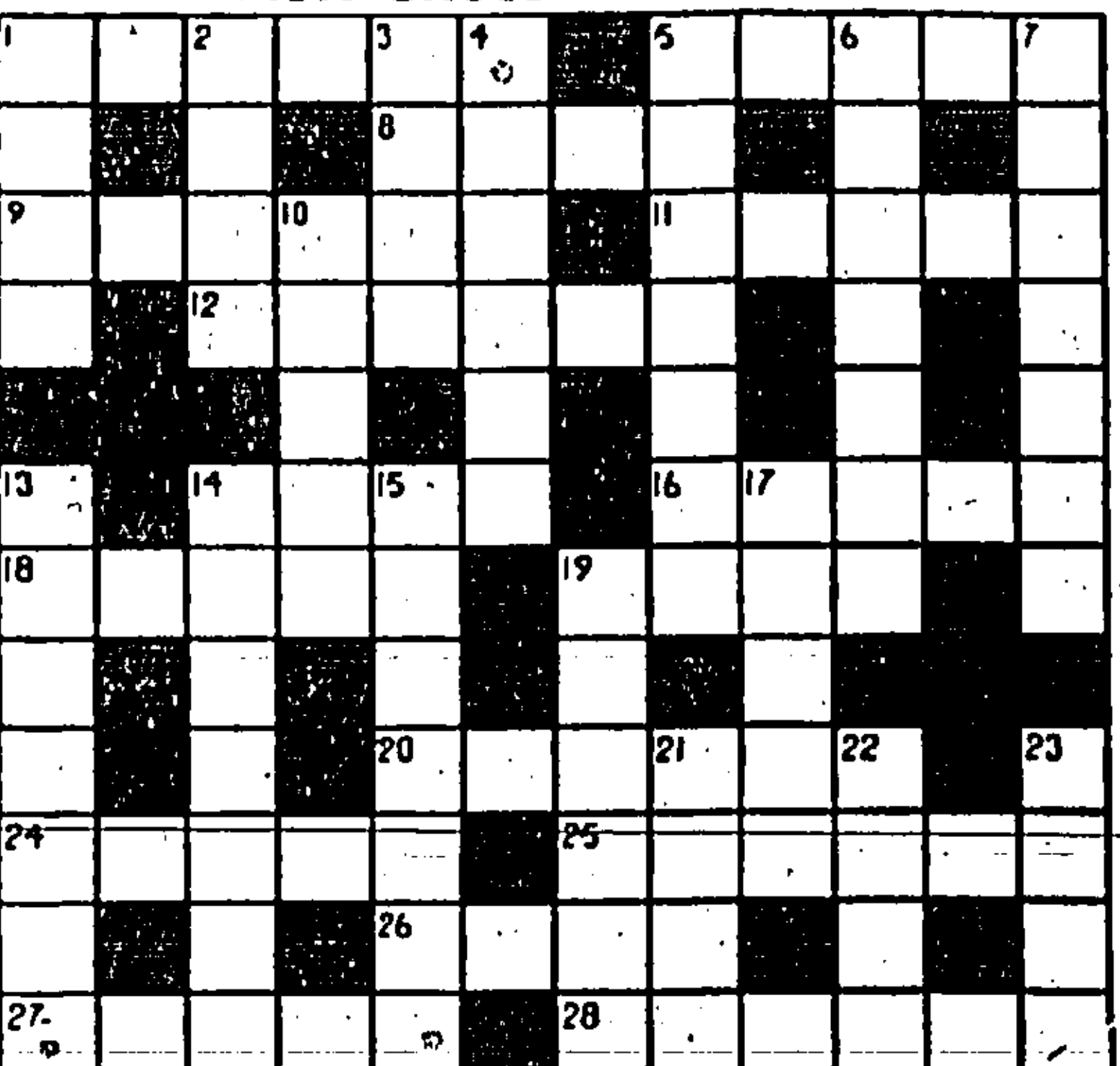
The Hague, June 12.
The reply of the Indonesian Republic to the Dutch protest against exchange of consuls between the Soviet Union and the Indonesian Republic is considered to be unsatisfactory, well-informed sources said today.

No details were revealed about the contents of the reply which will be discussed on Monday by the Dutch cabinet.—Associated Press.

PLANES COLLIDE

Prague, June 13.
Nine were killed when two military planes collided today at Malacka, Slovakia.—Reuter.

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Clues Across
1 Execute. 18 Accustom.
5 Quarrels. 19 Scrutinise.
8 Tackle. 20 Joined.
9 Sight. 24 Happen.
11 Concur. 25 Disappear.
12 Swallow up. 26 Jug.
14 Meditate. 27 Slants.
16 Angry. 28 Ransom.

Clues Down
1 Company. 14 Harmonious.
2 Stockings. 15 Makes safe.
3 Eager. 16 Black bird.
4 Strip. 17 Tremble.
5 Trade. 18 Weed.
6 Overseer. 19 Terrible.
7 Put aside. 20 False.
8 Bring on. 21 Shape.
9 Twist out of shape.

Saturday's Crossword
Across:—1, Sepia, 4, Grails, 8, Random, 10, Agree, 12, Mirror, 14, Precept, 17, Vain, 19, Altered, 20, Caprice, 22, Ains, 23, Laundry, 27, Recross, 29, Aware, 30, Earned, 31, Swells, 32, Enrol.

Down:—1, Scrap, 2, Pence, 3, Aroma, 5, Roar, 6, Terror, 7, Stewed, 9, Miracle, 11, Govern, 13, Release, 15, Real, 16, Purger, 18, Fear, 20, Canals, 21, Parade, 24, Usage, 25, Donor, 26, Yodel, 28, Cell.

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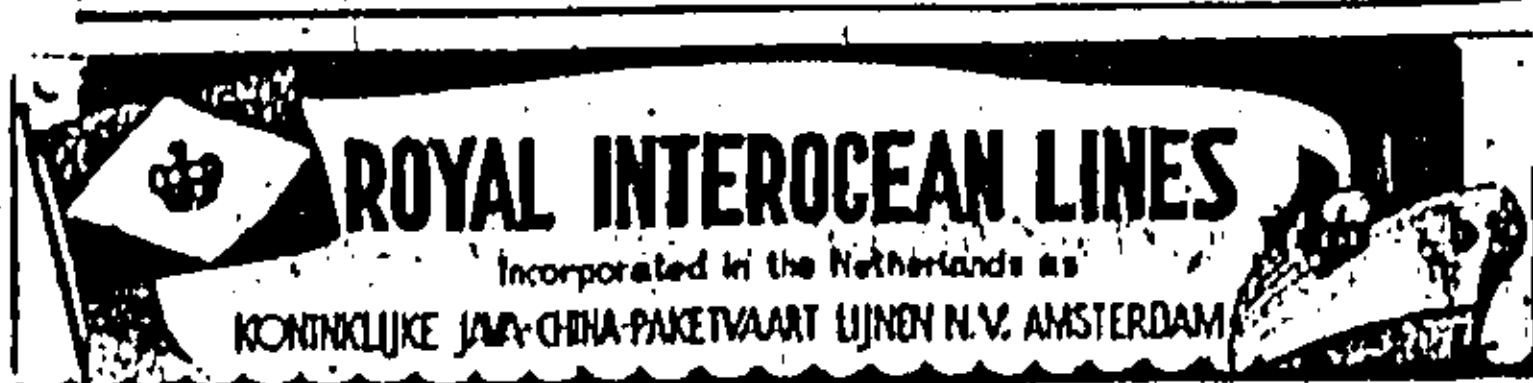
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

REFORM OF WESTERN GERMANY CURRENCY APPEARS IMMINENT

Berlin, June 13.

A currency reform aimed at taking from 70 to 90 percent of the present inflated money out of circulation appears imminent in Western Germany.

Officials refuse comment but unofficial sources have this overall picture of French-English-United States plans to put Western Germany on a self-sufficient financial basis:

1—The Western German mark will not have any immediate value on international markets. The new mark will be blocked. It is hoped eventually to give it an international value of 30 cents. Internally the mark will be so devalued to be worth approximately 30 cents in services and goods by world standards. The pre-war mark was 40 cents.

2—The new money reform will be the most drastic taken in Western Europe. Lowest official estimates state it will take 70 per cent of the currency out of circulation. Highest estimates are 90 per cent. All savings of over 3,000 marks probably will be wiped out or reduced to small fractions.

State Banks

3—The new currency will be backed by Western Germany's ability to produce. The currency issue will be limited to productive capacity. Post office officials have issued regulations against wholesale buying of stamps to prevent speculation. Railroad officials have placed a similar stop on wholesale buying of season rail tickets.

The plan will be put into effect by the occupational powers. The Allies do not want German officials blamed for hardship which will be worked in many cases. However, German Finance officials have been consulted for the past two years on their ideas.

The new currency will be issued through the Prussian state banks. This group is headed by the President of the state banks in each occupational zone.

To preserve the value of the currency, the military government will insist on strict control of credits and balanced government buying.

Black Market

All large bank accounts and personal holdings are expected to be frozen. Holders of 3,000 marks or more will be called on to explain where they got their money. Those sums made by black marketeering or war profits will be wiped out completely. Money made legitimately or legitimate savings probably will be exchanged at a rate between seven and 10 old marks for one new one.

The Western Allies recently set an import-export rate for goods or services produced in Germany at 30 cents.

Notice To Consignees

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The receivers of these raw materials and food in Germany had to pay three and one-half marks. Authoritative sources say this system will continue when the mark is devalued. After a period of months, or perhaps, years spent in ascertaining how the mark's productive and buying value holds up in the face of world conditions, it will be up to the World Bank and other agencies to set an international value.

Military government officials express hope that stabilisation will make it possible to raise the living standard in food conditions from the present 1,200 calories daily to 1,800. The aim will be to balance German economy at this point so it can be self-supporting.

"Any climb above this level will be up to the German people themselves," one official said. "They must take over at this point and work and produce more if they want their living standard raised." — Associated Press.

Trade Act Extension

Washington, June 12. The United States Senate today agreed to vote on Monday on legislation to extend the Foreign Trade Agreement Act under which nearly 30 countries benefit by a mutual cutting of trade barriers and tariffs.

This means the Act will lapse temporarily at midnight here tonight, technically preventing President Truman from negotiating any trade agreements until the extension is approved. The Senate also deferred the debate on the Act which was due to begin today and agreed to meet an hour earlier on Monday for discussion before taking the important vote.—Reuter.

MANCHESTER'S JAP IMPORTS

Manchester, June 12. Cotton-trade circles today understand that the board is negotiating additional imports of 100,000,000 square yards of Japanese grey cloth for finishing here and subsequent resale to the United Kingdom.

Last year about 64,000,000 square yards were imported from Japan.

Payment to Japan is with sterling under the new agreement.—United Press.

NEW COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT

Paris, June 12. A new commercial agreement between France and the Netherlands was initiated today, it was officially announced. Due to go into effect on Aug. 1, the new agreement calls for a total volume of trade between the two countries amounting to more than 50,000,000,000 francs (about \$5,780,000).—Reuter.

To Prevent Strike

Washington, June 12. President Truman, now at Berkeley, California, today authorized the Department of Justice to seek an injunction to prevent a strike set for Tuesday involving the entire United States Merchant Marine.

The strike would impede the foreign relief programme.—Reuter.

Reduce Rice Price

Calcutta, India, June 13.

The United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East called for reduced rice prices.

Burma introduced the resolution with the support of Ceylon and Britain. The United States opposed it, contending it was too broad.

The Commission also agreed to call an early meeting of experts on inland transport. They will plan the rebuilding of transport in the ECAP region.

At its final session the Commission debated a resolution asking the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization to present the Commission with detailed reports on food and agricultural conditions in the ECAP area.—Associated Press.

France Buys Cotton

Cairo, June 12. The Egyptian Government has agreed to accept the French franc in payment for French purchases of Egyptian goods in a new 12-months trade agreement signed yesterday and published here today.

This will enable France to increase her purchases from Egypt, particularly of cotton. The trade agreement provides that both countries will allow greater imports on each side than hitherto.

Egyptian purchases from France will be paid for in Egyptian pounds. The deficit in the mutual balance of payments must not exceed 1,000,000 Egyptian pounds on either side for the period of the agreement.—Reuter.

SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS

Bombay—Silver: Ready, per 100 tolas, 175 Rupees, 00 Annas; Forward, per 100 tolas, 175, 04; Marwari (unofficial), 172, 04. Gold: Delivered, per tola, 116, 04; Forward (unofficial), 116, 00; Sovereign, 76, 04. (One tola is equal to 1/16th of an ounce).

Buenos Aires—Sovereign, buyers 92.50, sellers 94.50; U.S. \$48.00; Gold, Bar, per gramme, buyers 8.90, sellers 9.00.

Alexandria—Gold, per "dihrem" 164 1/2 piastres; Egyptian pound 400; Sovereign 507; Turkish pound 380; Napoleon 370; Dollar (piece de cinq) 490; Silver (piastres) per kilogram 625. (One "dihrem" is equal to 1/10th of an ounce). Bangkok—Gold, Bar, per bahtweight of 15.244 grammes, unquoted; Exchange Rate (selling), Bangkok on New York T.T. 20.65; London 60.25; Hong Kong 3.68.—Reuter.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF N.Y.

New York, June 12. A parade of 45,000 New Yorkers, striding behind colorful banners and bands, marched along Fifth Avenue today, thus formally opening New York City's Golden Jubilee celebrations.—Reuter.

Stalin, Captain Of Prisoner?

Washington, June 12.

President Truman's remark about Josef Stalin being a prisoner of his own Politburo took diplomatic Washington—including many of the President's own experts—by complete surprise.

The diplomats' view has been roughly the opposite of the one expressed by the President. And questions about the President's comment brought a restatement of the idea that the 14-man Politburo certainly does run Russia—but that Stalin runs the Politburo.

Mr. Truman said on Friday at Eugene, Oregon, that "old Joe", as he called Stalin, is "a decent fellow" who would keep agreements if he could. But Mr. Truman in a rear platform train talk confided that "Joe" is a prisoner of the Politburo.

State Department authorities trying to figure out just what Russia is up to are known to have been operating on the basic theory that Stalin is captain of the Soviet High Command, but not its prisoner.—Associated Press.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, June 13. Corn tumbled to its lowest price in five years at times as the grain trade received reports of widespread rains over eastern Nebraska, all of Iowa and Northern Illinois. Oats also weakened and wheat was marked down slightly. What closed 1 1/8 to 1 3/8 lower.

July	\$2.27 1/2-3/4
September	\$2.27 1/2-3/4
December	\$2.28 1/2-3/4
May	\$2.28 1/2-3/4
Corn was 3 1/4 to four cents lower.	
July	\$1.16 1/2-3/4
September	\$1.13 3/4-1/2
December	\$1.08 1/2-3/4
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Soybeans were 3 1/4 lower to one cent higher.	
July	\$4.15
November	\$3.33 1/4

—Associated Press.

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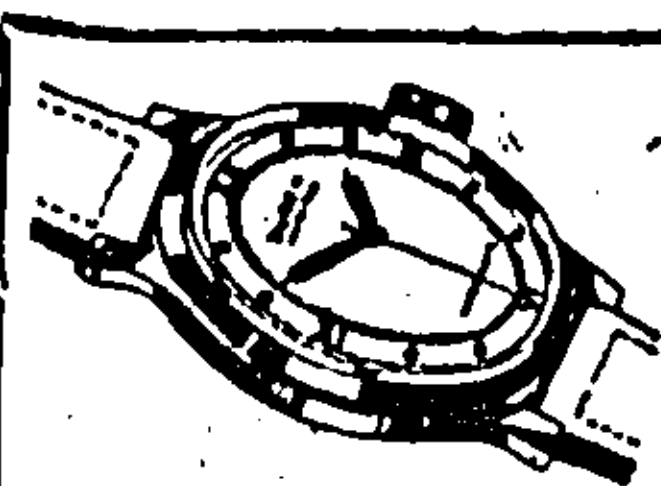
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BRITAIN ENTERS SEMI-FINAL OF ZONE DAVIS CUP TOURNEY.

Birmingham, June 12.
Britain won through to the semi-final of the European Zone of the Davis Cup tourney when she defeated Holland by 4 matches to 1 today. Britain today won the two remaining singles, having won two singles on Thursday and lost the doubles match on Friday.

Ultimatum Sent To Bernadotte

Damascus, June 13.
The Arabs have delivered an ultimatum to Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations mediator, threatening a general attack on all fronts if the Jews do not strictly observe the cease fire by 12 noon local time today.

US Aid Spurned

Tientsin, June 13.
The newspaper, Ta Kung Pao, today reported, "At the request of the Student Self-governing Association the Peking University decided to cease the distribution of American relief supplies consisting of eggs for underfed students and return all eggs on the monetary equivalent distributed so far."

SHANGHAI SWELTERS

Shanghai, June 13.
Summer came steamily into Shanghai and the Yangtze delta area yesterday. The temperature reached 100.2 at the weather station but some relief was felt today when heavy rainstorms passed over the region in mid-afternoon. —Associated Press.

Bristol, June 12.

Eric Sturges, South African and British, today defeated Summat Misa, of India, in the men's singles final in the West of England championships.

Berlin Traffic To Resume

Berlin, June 12.
The British railway transport officer at Helmstedt, on the zonal border, announced this afternoon that rail traffic to Berlin, banned by the Russians, was to recommence at 5.00 p.m. (local time) under a "tentative arrangement."

General Lucius Clay, the United States Military Governor, announced earlier that the Russians had sent a representative to Helmstedt to discuss the ban.

The British officer refused to discuss the number of trains already held up by the Russians, and said he had heard nothing yet of a Soviet representative leaving for Helmstedt for talks on the question.

New Czech President

London, June 12.
Prague Radio reported tonight that a new President of Czechoslovakia will be elected on Monday at 11.00 a.m. (local time) at Prague Castle. Church bells will ring throughout the country after the election.

Belgians Outclassed

In the doubles, the Czech team of Jaroslav Drobny and Vladimir Cerny beat Philippe Washer and Pierre Chaband 7-5, 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Drobny made up for the weaker play of his partner with hard overhead smashes and sharp drives between his opponents and frequently caught the Belgians flat-footed.

At Turin, Italy gained a lead of 2-0 in the quarter-finals of the Davis Cup when they won both the opening singles.

G. Cuccilli beat Kurt Nielsen 4-6, 6-1, 6-1, while M. de Lillo beat Torsen Ulrich 6-3, 6-3, 7-5. —Associated Press, United Press and Reuter.

But Let USA Take Wightman Cup

London, June 12.
American women tennis stars today won the Wightman Cup for the 12th straight time by sweeping the finals in three singles matches and one doubles test for a 6-1 victory over the British.

Louise Brough beat Mrs. Jean Bestock 6-2, 4-6, 7-5, and Mrs. Margaret Osborne DuPont defeated Mrs. Betty Hillton 6-3, 6-4. Doris Hart beat Joy Gannon 6-1, 6-4.

In the doubles Miss Brough and Mrs. DuPont defeated Miss Hillton and Mrs. Kay Stammers 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Brough's victory in the second singles match of the day clinched the Cup for the United States for the 12th time out of 20 games in the Cup series.

The presence of the Duchess of Kent, who arrived with her daughter Princess Alexandra to present the Cup to the winners, seemed to inspire Mrs. Bestock, who playing the best tennis of her career, had Miss Brough 2-4 in the third set, only to tire badly when the American evened the score.

CONTRABAND FROM JAPAN

Shanghai, June 13.
Customs inspectors here have found large quantities of Japanese bicycles, woolen goods and rayon fibres valued at several million Chinese dollars aboard the Chinese steamer, Nan Hai, which arrived from Japan on Saturday with a load of reparations equipment.

The customs authorities said other contrabands were expected to be found aboard the ship. —United Press.

COAL FIND NEAR DARWIN

Camberra, June 13.
Coal has been discovered 480 miles south of Darwin, and Minister for the Interior Victor Johnston said it might have an important effect on development of the Northern Territory. —Associated Press.

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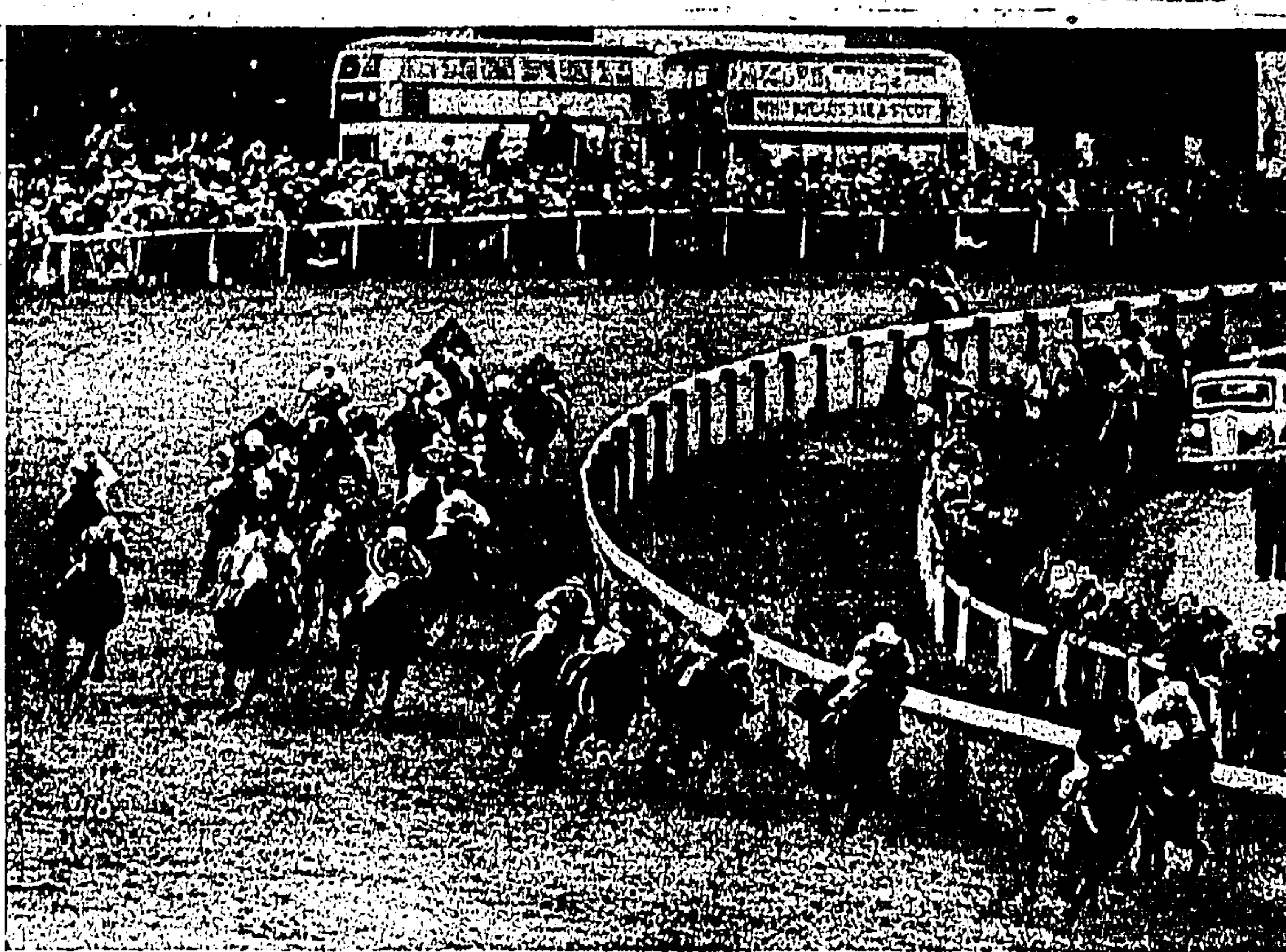
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AGA KHAN'S ENTRY WINS THE OAKS



THE AGA KHAN'S entry "Manaka" (second right) ridden by W. Nevett is seen pulling away from the field at Tattenham Corner to the Oaks at Epsom on June 3. "Angelola" (fifth from right) owned by the King and ridden by W. H. Carr was second, with the French horse "Folle 11" taking third place. (AP Photo.)

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Derbyshire Might Lose County Lead

London, June 12.
Derbyshire, the present County championship table leaders, are in danger of being defeated for the first time against Leicestershire, who still have three wickets standing.

On a damp pitch, L.G. Berry, Leicestershire's professional and captain, took a chance when he won the toss and put Derbyshire in to bat.

Yet, but for a slip on the part of Corral, the Leicestershire wicket-keeper, when Elliott had made 22 and the score was 59, the Derbyshire innings might well have been over for less than 100.

As it was, Elliott carried his bat right through the two and half hours' innings and just managed to complete his half century.

Close of play scores: At Lords: Middlesex 224 (Robertson 72); Gloucestershire 66 for 1.
At the Oval: Essex 343 for 5 (Dodd 58, Avery 108) against Surrey.
At Hove: Lancashire 354 for 7 (Place 111, Ikin 61, Wharton 60 not out) against Sussex.
At Leeds: Yorkshire 177 (Watson 55, Coxon 83, Jepson 5 for 50); Nottingham 6 for 0.
At Aldershot: Cambridge University 196 (Dewes 67, Heath 6 for 63); Hampshire 33 for 2.
At Ashby-de-la-Zouch: Derbyshire 126 (Elliott 51 not out, Berry 6 for 42); Leicestershire 152 for 7 (Pentrice 66).
At Northampton: Warwickshire 192 (C.B. Clarke 6 for 40); Northamptonshire 56 for 3.
At Swansea: Glamorgan 189 (Clift 73); Kent 105 (Trick 6 for 39).
At Worcester: Worcestershire 80 (Lawrence 4 for 7, Wellard 4 for 20) and 56 for 2. Somerset 100 (Cox 68 not out, Jenkins 5 for 50). —Reuter.

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\$-Million Gate Expected

New York, June 12.
As Joe Louis reached the peak of his training grind, promoter Sol Strauss of the 20th Century Sporting Club announced today that the New York 25 defence of his title seemed assured of a million-dollar gate.

He said Thursday's excellent Zale-Graziano fight had stimulated instead of hampered the ticket sale for the Louis-Walcott match.

Louis is favoured at 13-5 for his 25th defence of the heavyweight crown. The betting price is expected to shorten before the fight, for the challenger has been more impressive in training than the champion.

Reports from the Louis camp at Pompton Lakes, N.J., say the champ is improving daily and no longer has a weight problem. He is down to 214 with Walcott reported at 195. —United Press.

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YESTERDAY'S BOWLING

In a friendly bowls game at Cox's Head yesterday the Kentish Cricket Club beat the H.K.V.D.C. in three rinks, drew in one, and lost in the last rink, with an aggregate win of 16 shots.

Score: Kentish 25, H.K.V.D.C. 13.
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His article declares that there were too many appeals in the Test matches, both by the Englishmen and Australians.

Ian Johnson, Ernie Toshack and Colin McCool were the worst offenders.

Cyril Washbrook, England's opening batsman, was a delightful player but, according to Scott, he developed to a fine art the practice of moving quickly across to outside the stumps when the ball hit his pads, "an old trick" to bluff umpires. —Reuter.

US Baseball

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Major league leaders: American League
Batting—Williams, Boston, .395; Boudreau, Cleveland, .363.
Runs batted in—Williams 55, D'Maggio, New York, 48.
Doubles—Williams and Boudreau 14.
Triples—Conn, Washington, six; Wertz, Detroit, D'Maggio, New York and St. Louis, 5.
Home runs—Kellner, Cleveland, 14; Williams 12.
Stolen bases—Conn, 10; Dillinger, St. Louis 8.
Strikeouts—Lemon, Cleveland, 51; Brissie, Philadelphia 50.
Pitching—Raschi, New York, 7-1, 875; Bearden, Cleveland, 6-1, 857.

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Batting—Musial, St. Louis, .381; Holmes, Boston, .370.
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Triples—Musial and Waltkus, Chicago, 7.
Home runs—Sauer 10, Kiner 16.
Stolen bases—Ashburn, Philadelphia, 14; Torgeson, Boston, 5.
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